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NEW ENGLAND OUTLOOK

CONFERENCE WELL ATTENDED.

The New England outlook conference, which met in Boston on September 29 and 30, was well attended, according to O. C. Stine, in charge of the Division of Statistical and Historical Research, one of the representatives of the Bureau at the meeting. Dr. Stine discussed the general economic situation and participated in the sessions. He reports that this conference functions quite differently from other outlook conferences in that it practically reproduces the Bureau's methods of preparing an outlook report. Many of those attending the conference are economists engaged in research, and they work with the extension economists in preparing the report. Quite a little research work has been done as a basis for special preparation of the New England outlook. This outlook, however, differed from the national and other regional outlooks in that for some products it dealt primarily with the outlook for marketing during the coming six months. Discussion of the production outlook for these commodities was reserved for the late winter or early spring conference.

It is obvious, Dr. Stine says, that New England agriculture is not depressed as much as the agriculture of many other regions. Prices of apples and potatoes are very low, but the revival in the textile and shoe industries promises some improvement in local demand. Reductions in the potato crop of the Northeastern States and in the apple crop of the Middle Atlantic States are hopeful aspects of the outlook situation for New England.

P. L. Koenig and C. D. Stevens, of the Division of Crop and Livestock Estimates, and H. M. Dixon, in charge of the Agricultural Economics Extension Unit, also attended this meeting.

R. F. HARE RETIRES

FROM THE SERVICE.

Raleigh F. Hare, associate agricultural statistician for New Mexico, has been retired from the Bureau on account of illness.

Mr. Hare has served this Department for many years. He was employed on a cooperative study between the Department and the U. S. Geological Survey with the New Mexico Experiment Station from 1905 to 1916, the results of which work were published in fourteen bulletins, nine of them by the New Mexico Agricultural Experiment Station, two by the U. S. Geological Survey, and three by the U. S. Department of Agriculture. These bulletins relate to such subjects as prickley pear and other cacti as food for stock; tuna as food for man; denatured alcohol from tunas and other sources; composition of some New Mexico waters; tank experiments on alkali movement in soils; geology and

water resources of the Tularosa Basin, New Mexico, etc.

In 1916, Mr. Hare served as county agent for Hale and Floyd counties in Texas. The following year he was appointed as field agent for New Mexico in the then Bureau of Crop Estimates, later being designated as associate agricultural statistician after that bureau became a part of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics.

Mr. Hare holds the degrees of B. S. and M. S. from the Alabama Politechnic Institute and Ph. D. from Columbia University.

GRADUATE SCHOOL OPENS

ITS TWELFTH YEAR.

The Graduate School of the Department will open its twelfth year beginning October 10. Classes will meet in the Department buildings at 4:40 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the students can assemble. Tuition is payable in advance. In view of the reduction in salaries for the current fiscal year, upon recommendation of the Committee of the Graduate School Council, the fees have been reduced for this year to \$12.50 for the first semester and \$9 for the second.

Members of this Bureau are again on the staff of teachers. Among the graduate courses, C. M. Purves, assisted by A. Sturges, both of the Division of Statistical and Historical Research, will conduct the course on Advanced Statistical Analysis. Elementary Statistical Methods, an undergraduate course, will be conducted by B. R. Stauber Division of Land Economics, and F. J. Hosking, Division of Hay, Feed, and Seed. Additional courses offered by the Graduate School this year are: Graduate Courses - Ecology; Electrochemistry; Plant Genetics; Advanced Course in Statistics for Biological Workers; Soils and Fertilizer; Thermodynamics Applied to Chemical Engineering Problems; Recent Advances in Enzyme Chemistry; Plant Anatomy; Mycology. Undergraduate Courses - Glass Blowing; Systematic Botany; Administrative and Business Law; Interpreting Agriculture and Home Economics; Editing Manuscripts on Agriculture, Home Making, and Related Subjects; Scientific French; Intermediate Scientific German; Elementary Russian; Advanced Russian.

BUREAU NOON-HOUR RADIO

BROADCASTING PROGRAM.

The national radio program of the Department is broadcast daily, except Sundays, from 12:45 to 1:00 p.m., eastern standard time. The following members of the Bureau are on the program for the week beginning October 10:

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| October 10, | 1:00 p.m., | V. C. Childs Summary of October Cotton
Crop Report |
| October 11, | 1:04 p.m., | W. F. Callander, General Crop Review |
| | 1:06 p.m., | J. A. Becker, Wheat, Oats, Barley, and
Flax Report |
| | 1:10 p.m., | S. A. Jones, Corn, Hay, Tobacco, and
Beans Report |
| | 1:15 p.m., | P. L. Koenig, Fruit and Vegetable Crop
Report |
| October 12, | 1:00 p.m., | C. L. Harlan, October Sheep Markets |
| | 1:05 p.m., | F. J. Hosking, October Feed Stuffs
Markets |

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October 10, 12:33 p.m., Frank L. Lyons, The Grain Markets Situation

October 11, 12:34 p.m., Frank H. McCampbell, The Daily Market Situation

12:46 p.m., E. N. Bates, Moisture in Grain and Its Effect on Quality

October 12, 12:35 p.m., W. E. Schneider, The Lamb Feeding Situation

October 14, 12:33 p.m., Carl J. Hansen, On Fruit and Vegetable Markets

TITLE TO FURNITURE PLACED IN FEDERAL
BUILDINGS TO BE RETAINED BY DEPARTMENT.

Divisions are referred to the article in The B. A. E. News of August 31, 1932, entitled "Ownership of Furniture Moved into Federal Buildings," which sets forth the policy of the Treasury Department in regard to furniture moved into Federal Buildings. The Acting Real Estate Officer of this Department, in a recent memorandum to bureaus, outlines the policy of the Department of Agriculture in this regard. It is that the Department will furnish to the custodians of the respective buildings, inventories of all furniture moved in to Federal buildings, but actual title to the property will be retained by this Department and the articles will be included in the inventories submitted to the bureau property officers in accordance with Paragraph 208 of the property regulations.

From the standpoint of the Treasury Department, "furniture," comprises those items of office equipment, such as desks, tables, chairs, filing cases, etc., which are in common use by all branches of the Government service. Special equipment of any description must be provided by the using organization.

LICENSE PLATES FOR MOTOR
VEHICLES OWNED BY DEPARTMENT.

The Acting Secretary advises through Department memorandum No. 628 that "Standard Department of Agriculture plates are required to be used on all Department cars headquartered outside of the District of Columbia to the exclusion of any other form of license plate except as may hereafter be specifically authorized by the Director of Personnel and Business Administration. * * * Department plates may not be used on vehicles other than those owned by the Department."

Department plates will be obtained from the Central Supply Section on regular requisition form which must be approved in advance by the Bureau Business Office where record of all plates issued to the Bureau will be maintained.

Each division office is requested to forward as early as possible to the Bureau Business Manager a memorandum showing the serial numbers of each U. S. D. A. set of license plates which it now has for use on automobiles outside of the District of Columbia and the serial number of the car to which the plates are attached. Field officers will report to their division headquarters.

If any Government-owned cars are now being operated without the U. S. D. A. license plates, application should be made for them at once.

REQUESTS FOR FEDERAL QUARTERS TO BE
FIRST APPROVED BY WASHINGTON OFFICE.

The Business Manager again calls the attention of all representatives in the field to the fact that no requests for space in Federal Buildings, or any recommendation which may affect our housing plans, should be submitted to Federal representatives by any Bureau representative in the field without his first having obtained the approval of the Washington office. In two instances recently representatives of the Bureau have made definite requests upon the local representative of the Treasury Department for the assignment of space. This practice should be discontinued. It will be perfectly proper for our local representative to make contact with the representative of the Treasury Department or other Federal representatives on these matters after the procedure is approved in the business office.

Attention is also invited to the fact that where there is more than one Bureau office represented in a city, the representatives of the Bureau are not independently to make contact with any other offices of the Federal Government in regard to space. The requirements of the Bureau should be put up in a consolidated form through one representative of the Bureau to be designated by the business office. The compliance of all field representatives with these instructions will avoid confusion and enable the Bureau to negotiate for more satisfactory space assignments for all our offices.

DIGEST OF DECISIONS RELATING
TO THE ECONOMY ACT.

The following digest of decisions by the Comptroller General of the Treasury, relating to the Economy Act, are called to the attention of the staff by the Business Manager:

"A-43594, Aug. 15. Decision on claim of postal employee who was also officer of the reserve corps of the Army for pay during a period of military training within the military leave act of May 12, 1917. The Post Office Department had declined to allow the employee military leave, assigning him to the legislative furlough status during the training period. Held, that although the military leave could not legally be refused, the right to pay from the department appropriation did not necessarily follow. Compensation would not accrue if the employee while training were on leave without pay from the department, and since the legislative furlough is a non-pay status the same rule applies. Claim disallowed."

"A43882, Aug. 16, Secretary of the Interior. As to cooperative work between the Geological Survey and the States, held: 'It is understood that as a general proposition the State contributions toward the cooperative work between the Federal Government and the States * * * are not segregated to pay the whole or a part of the salary rate of Federal employees engaged on the work and that such State contributions do not relate to a particular salary rate of

Federal employees * * * but simply augment the portion appropriated by Congress for the cooperative work. If so, employees are subject to furlough and savings impoundable. Of course, any employees of the Geological Survey whose salaries are paid entirely from the State funds * * * are within exception 7 * * * in section 104 of the Economy Act and are not subject to the restrictions of title I thereof.'

"An appointee under section A of the Civil Service Rules who can receive not more than \$540 annually is within the furlough or reduction provisions if his rate of payment is \$1,000 or more."

BUREAU BREVITIES.

REGULATIONS FOR STORING CHERRIES IN SULPHUR DIOXIDE BRINE under the provisions of the U. S. Warehouse Act are now available in printed form as Service and Regulatory Announcement 134 of this Bureau.

OFFICIAL STANDARDS FOR WOOL AND WOOL TOP, together with rules and regulations for distribution of practical forms of wool and wool top standards, are set forth in Service and Regulatory Announcement No. 135 of this Bureau, now off the press. This supersedes S. R. A. 100.

MANUSCRIPTS SUBMITTED BY THE BUREAU DURING SEPTEMBER:

The following manuscripts were submitted to the Division of Publications during September:

Hartman, W. A.: State Land Settlement Problems and Policies. For Technical Bulletin.

Manny, T. B.: Farmer Opinions and Acreage Adjustments in the Cotton Belt. For Circular.

Regulations Supplementary to Commodity Regulations for Field Warehousemen, For S. R. A. 136.

Wells, O. V.: Farmers' Response to Price in Hog Production and Marketing. For Technical Bulletin.

The following articles have been approved for publication in the periodicals named:

Barr, J. E.: Marketing Soybeans on Basis of U. S. Standards. For Grain and Feed Journals Consolidated.

Booker, G. F.: When Do Seedsmen Buy. For Seed Trade News.

Clayton, C. L.: Local Land Utilization Studies in Relation to Problems of Rural Economic Organization. For Journal of Farm Economics.

Garlock, F. L.: Another Slant on Country Bank Liquidity. For American Bankers Association Journal.

George, F.: Marketing Delaware Apples. For Wilmington. (Chamber of Commerce publication).

Johnson, O. M.: Changes in Farm Tenancy During Fifty Years. For Journal of Farm Economics.

Roth, W. J. and Baker, O. E.: Book review: Bevölkerungsgang und Landwirtschaft, by N. Jasny. For Journal of Farm Economics.

Slocum, R. R.: Paraffin vs. Asphalt Base Oils in Maintaining Egg Grades in Storage. (With Chemistry & Soils) For American Creamery and Produce News.

Taylor, C. C.: Nursery Business in South Africa. For American Nurseryman.

IN THE LIBRARY:

Among the accessions to the Bureau Library for the week ending September 23 are:

- Graves, Lloyd M. The great depression and beyond. [New York, Brookmire economic service, inc., 1932] 192 p. 280.12 G78
- Gt. Brit. Board of trade. An industrial survey of the Lancashire area (excluding Merseyside), made for the Board of trade by the University of Manchester... London, H. M. Stationery off., 1932. 380 p. 280.171 G794I1
- Gt. Brit. Board of trade. An industrial survey of the north east coast area made for the Board of trade by Armstrong college (University of Durham) Newcastle-upon-Tyne... London, H. M. Stationery off., 1932. 505 p. diags. 280.17 G794In
- Gt. Brit. Board of trade. An industrial survey of South Wales, made for the Board of trade by University college of South Wales and Monmouthshire... London, H. M. Stationery off., 1932. 181 p. 280.171 G794Iw
- Gt. Brit. Board of trade. An industrial survey of the south west of Scotland, made for the Board of trade by the staff of the Political economy department of the University of Glasgow... London, H. M. Stationery off., 1932. 220 p. 280.171 G794Is
- Grimes, I. C. Agricultural exploiters, parasites and racketeers. A book that tells the truth about men and measures, featuring chapters on the Federal farm board and the true story of the Chicago producers. [Chicago, 1932] 174 p. 281.12 G88
- Knowles, Mrs. Lillian Charlotte Anne (Tomn) Economic development in the nineteenth century: France, Germany, Russia, and the United States, London, G. Routledge & sons, ltd., 1932. 368 p. (Studies in economics and political science. no.109 in the series of monographs by writers connected with the London school of economics and political science) 277 K76E
- Labor party (Gt. Brit.) The land and the national planning of agriculture. [London, 1932] 27 p. (Policy report no. 4)
- Newbigin, Marion Isabel. Southern Europe: a regional and economic geography of the Mediterranean lands (Italy, Spain, Portugal, Greece, Albania, and Switzerland) London, Methuen & co., ltd. [1932] 428 p. 278.17 N42
- Soule, George Henry. A planned society, New York, The Macmillan company, 1932. 295 p. 280.12 So8
- Westergaard, Harald Ludvig. Contributions to the history of statistics, London, P. S. King & son ltd., 1932. 251 W525

HERE AND THERE.

A. W. Palmer, in charge of the Division of Cotton Marketing, went to Boston last week to discuss with representatives of cotton manufactures, the procedure of collecting information for reports of the grade and staple length of cotton.

W. C. Davis, Division of Livestock, Meats, and Wool, is back in Washington after attending the Kansas Free Fair, held in Topeka, Kans., September 12-18 inclusive, and visiting all but one of the division's Mid-Western offices at which beef and lamb grading is conducted. Mr. Davis addressed the 8th annual Meat Congress, which met at the Fair on September 15, on "Beef Grading and Its Benefits." He reports that there was a larger and more enthusiastic attendance there to view the meat and beef grading exhibit than has attended the Fair in the 6 years the Bureau has cooperated with the Institute of American Meat Packers, the Kansas Livestock Association, and the National Livestock and Meat Board in this display. Mr. Davis says that he found greater appreciation by the trade of the Bureau's meat grading service than he has found at any previous time.

R. C. Butner, in charge of the inspection service, Division of Fruits and Vegetables, met with J. J. Gardner, Martinsburg, W. Va., T. W. Ayres, Winchester, W. Va., S. B. Shaw, College Park, Md., and D. M. James, Harrisburg, Pa., supervising inspectors in the respective States, at Martinsburg, W. Va., Tuesday, October 4, for a conference on shipping-point inspection.

The Division of Land Economics announces the appointment of two new technical men: Reynolds I. Nowell as associate agricultural economist and John J. Morgan as assistant agricultural economist.

Mr. Nowell received a B. S. degree in farm organization and management from the University of Illinois in 1930. Since then he has taken work in advanced statistics in the Graduate School of this Department. Mr. Nowell formerly held positions with the Utah Agricultural Experiment Station; with the Chamber of Commerce, Moline, Ill.; with the Department of Farm Organization and Management, University of Illinois; and for the last two years with the Federal Farm Board. After reporting for duty here, he was assigned to field work in Minnesota to assist C. F. Clayton in planning and conducting a land utilization survey which the division expects to carry on cooperatively with the Minnesota State Department of Agriculture.

Mr. Morgan holds a B. S. degree in agriculture from North Carolina State College. He was employed in several capacities with the North Carolina Experiment Station; was appointed in this Bureau as junior crop and livestock estimator in March, 1930, and was transferred to the Federal Farm Board July, 1931, as assistant agricultural economist, where he has served until his present appointment. Mr. Morgan will be assigned to duty in the State of Georgia, assisting Dr. Wm. A. Hartman in the conduct of a cooperative land utilization survey in that State.

A. S. Mason, in charge of inspections in Puerto Rico, Division of Fruits and Vegetables, cabled from San Juan, September 27, that the hurricane of last week completely destroyed the grapefruit on the trees. It is estimated that 40,000 boxes were already packed or picked, which will be shipped. After this fruit is disposed of, there probably will be no more shipments until the next crop is matured.

T. C. Curry, of the regulatory branch, Division of Fruits and Vegetables, has gone on two weeks' trip, to make investigations of cases under the F. A. C. Act at points in Tennessee, Alabama, Louisiana, Florida, Georgia, and the Carolinas. G. W. Winfrey, of the Louisville office, has been authorized to investigate a number of cases at Huntington, W. Va., and Cincinnati, Ohio. M. C. Gregory, of the Fort Worth office, is going to Robstown, Tex., for a day or two, in order to investigate a complaint made under this Act.

James K. Wallace, Division of Livestock, Meats, and Wool, has been very busy recently in North Dakota, giving grading demonstrations and talks on marketing problems at two meetings every day of cattle men. One Saturday recently he did not get back to his headquarters from a meeting until 1:30 o'clock in the morning; the following Sunday afternoon he had to attend another meeting held in the local schoolhouse.

J. E. Barr, Division of Hay, Feed, and Seed, left Washington on October 1 for Lansing, Michigan, Chicago, Ill., St. Louis, Mo., Kansas City Mo., and perhaps a few bean inspection points in Illinois and Indiana. At Lansing he will confer with representatives of the local office of the division and with dealers regarding the expansion of the bean inspection service. At Chicago he will confer with the division supervisor and with mills and dealers interested in the soy bean inspection service. Mr. Barr will return to Washington in about two weeks.

Purchases of butter and eggs by the local relief committee of King County, in which the city of Seattle is located, are now subject to the grading rules of this Bureau. The contractor agrees to pay the grading fees, and the work is handled by E. R. Johnson of the Seattle office of the Division of Dairy and Poultry Products. Current weekly purchases call for 20,000 pounds of 90-score butter and 500 cases of U. S. standards grade eggs.

An increase in the number of inspections of samples of canned fruits and vegetables is noted, 18 inspections having been made in one day recently at Springdale, Ark., by R. B. Landrum of the Division of Fruits and Vegetables. Another high record was attained at the Easton, Md., office, when J. C. Bigger of the division's staff, on September 30, inspected 22 samples of canned vegetables in one day.

A course in Organic Chemistry will be given by the Graduate School in case a sufficient number of students enroll. The class will be conducted by Dr. C. P. Clark, of the Bureau of Chemistry and Soils. It will meet in Room 223-24 of the East Wing Wednesday, October 12, at which time suitable dates for subsequent meetings will be fixed. The course is designed for those who have a good foundation in general chemistry and desire an introduction in the original field. It will consist of a series of lectures.

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STUDY OF BANK FAILURES IN ARKANSAS TO BE MADE.

The Bureau and the Arkansas Experiment Station are planning to cooperate in a study of bank failures in Arkansas. The Bureau's interest arises mainly from the fact that Arkansas is primarily an agricultural State and the country banks in the State are engaged principally in financing farmers. Arkansas not only has suffered with other agricultural States from depressed values of agricultural products but also was severely affected by the 1930 drouth. The combination of these circumstances placed an unusually heavy burden upon the banks of Arkansas.

The Bureau's purpose is to study the way in which the banks were affected by low prices and the drouth, and to ascertain the differences between the policies of banks that survived these difficulties and others that succumbed to them.

Field work will begin, according to present plans, about November 1. Dr. B. M. Gile, of the Arkansas Experiment Station, and Fred L. Garlock, of the Division of Agricultural Finance, this Bureau, are jointly in charge of the project. Work will begin first on receiverships and it is intended later to include a considerable number of solvent banks.

The project is undertaken as part of a broader program of studying the conditions under which country banks in different agricultural areas operate, with the purpose of determining the banking policies which are best adapted to different types of agriculture.

EXPENSE OF TOBACCO GRADING SERVICE ASSUMED BY WAREHOUSEMEN.

Federal-State tobacco grading service on all tobacco offered for sale will be furnished at Lynchburg, Farmville, and Blackstone, Va., when those markets open in November, according to arrangements just concluded by Frank B. Wilkinson, marketing specialist of the Tobacco Section. Grading service has been supplied at these markets in the past but each farmer had to pay a fee. Under arrangements just consummated, the expense of the service will be borne by warehousemen and no charge will be assessed against growers.

Tobacco grading service to cover the entire market without cost to growers was inaugurated last year at Paducah and Murray, Ky., and at Clarksville and Gallatin, Tenn. This method of operation was a pronounced success and has received such hearty endorsement of the growers, warehousemen, and trade that extension into new markets this year was a natural development. It has been found that the tobacco grading service, backed jointly by the Federal and State Departments of Agriculture, operates in various ways to improve the tobacco market, and that the greatest benefits derived are on markets where all of the tobacco is officially graded.

INCREASING DEMAND FOR EDUCATIONAL WORK
AMONG HAY PRODUCERS AND CONSUMERS.

E. O. Pollock, of the Hay, Feed, and Seed Division, has just returned to Washington from a six weeks' trip to the hay supervision officers in the West.

One of the most interesting things that Mr. Pollock observed on his trip was the interest in the improvement of quality in hay in the different States, especially in alfalfa, and the demand by State agricultural colleges for educational work among producers and consumers of hay. In Washington, Mr. Pollock arranged with the Extension Service of the State Agricultural College for a series of educational meetings on hay to be held in the State some time in November. D. D. Hill, Supervising Inspector located at Corvallis, Oregon, will assist extension specialists of the Washington State College with these meetings. Tentative arrangements have also been made for a series of hay meetings in Kansas, Minnesota, Indiana, North Carolina, and Arizona during the winter months.

While in California, Mr. Pollock assisted W. J. Morgan, supervising hay inspector at Los Angeles, with a hay meeting at Bakersfield. The meeting was held at the request of the county agent. Hay production, marketing, and inspection were discussed. There was a large attendance and much interest was evidenced in connection with the improvement of the production and marketing of hay in the Bakersfield territory.

Another thing that Mr. Pollock reported was that during the past two or three years there has been a decided change in hay marketing methods. More hay is now being moved direct from the producer to the consumer than ever before, and receipts at terminal markets have shown a steady decline. Large quantities of hay are being transported by truck in practically every surplus hay-producing section of the United States. This method of transporting commercial lots of hay was practically unknown except in two or three sections of the country until the last two or three years.

TRUCKING AN IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENT
IN FRUIT AND VEGETABLE MARKETING.

Probably the most important development in the fruit and vegetable industry in recent years, in the opinion of officials of the Division of Fruits and Vegetables, has been the increased use of the motor truck in marketing. A large part of the fruits and vegetables produced within a radius of 200 miles of the large cities is now hauled to market by truck and considerable quantities are hauled from much greater distances. Merchant-truckmen often buy at the farm and deliver direct to the retailer or consumer. It was estimated that in 1929 the equivalent of from 150,000 to 200,000 carloads of fruits and vegetables moved a distance of more than 20 miles to market by truck compared with 1,068,745 by rail. The truck movement has undoubtedly increased considerably since 1929.

The use of the truck usually effects a saving in time and handling in marketing. The established trade channels are being modified and this has resulted in much discussion and some legislation to regulate motor-truck hauling. It is essential to have as a basis for the study and solution of

the motor-truck problems, unbiased information on the extent to which the truck is used in hauling fruits and vegetables, and the changes in marketing conditions which are taking place through its use. The bulletin on "The Marketing and Distribution of Fruits and Vegetables by Motor Truck," Technical Bulletin 272, issued by the Division of Fruits and Vegetables during the last year, is designed to assist in filling this need.

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BUREAU BREVITIES.

FARM REAL ESTATE TAXES, 1913-1930, New England States, a preliminary report by Bushrod W. Allin and Donald Jackson, agricultural economists, and Miss Janet L. Weston, assistant agricultural economist, Division of Agricultural Finance, was released last week as a mimeographed publication. This report presents estimates of farm real estate taxes per acre for the New England States, yearly from 1913 to 1930. Corresponding estimates for the East North Central and West North Central States have recently been released. Estimates for other regions will be issued as they become available.

THE OUTLOOK FOR MANUFACTURED DAIRY PRODUCTS, a statement presented at the National Cooperative Milk Producers Federation Conference, San Francisco, Calif., October 3, by E. W. Gaumnitz, Division of Dairy and Poultry Products, is now in mimeographed form for distribution.

TENTATIVE STANDARDS Market Classes and Grades, Butcher and Country Green Salted Cattle Hides, were issued by the Division of Livestock, Meats, and Wool on September 12.

WORLD APPLE PRODUCTION AND TRADE, FS 57, by A. C. Edwards assisted by Mrs. Hally H. Conrad, is a 98-page mimeographed report recently issued by the Foreign Agricultural Service. Copies may be obtained upon request of the Division of Economic Information.

IN THE LIBRARY:

Among the accessions to the Bureau Library for the week ending October 7 are:

- Aftalion, Albert. L'or et sa distribution mondiale. Paris, Dalloz, 1932. 235 p. (Collection scientifique d'économie politique 1) 284 Af8
- Allen, Ruth. The labor of women in the production of cotton. Austin, Tex., 1931. 285 p. (University of Texas. Bureau of research in the social sciences. Study no. 3) 283 A15
- Cassel, Gustav. The crisis in the world's monetary system. Being the Rhodes memorial lectures delivered in Trinity term 1932. Oxford, Clarendon press, 1932. 98 p. 284 C27C
- Dawe, Charles Vivian. Agricultural prices since 1919. [Bristol, Eng.] 1932. 12 p. 284.3 D32
- Henderson, Fred. Money power and human life, London G. Allen & Unwin ltd. [1932] 205 p. 284 H38
- Jensen, Jens Peter and Howe, H. Tax study in thirteen lessons, in co-operation with the Kansas chamber of commerce. Topeka, Kans., 1932. 13 nos. 284.5 J45T
- Milligan, S. Report on the present position of the agricultural industry [of Northern Rhodesia] and the necessity, or otherwise of encouraging further European settlement in agricultural areas. Livingstone, printed by the government printer, 1931. 36 p. 281.19 M62
- U. S. Bureau of foreign and domestic commerce. Commerce yearbook 1932 (tenth number) vol.1- United States. Washington, U. S. Govt. print. off., 1932. 602 p. 157.54 Y3
- U. S. Congress. House. Committee on appropriations. Distribution of government-owned wheat and cotton. Hearing. H.J. res.461. Seventy-second Congress, first session. Washington, U. S. Govt. print. off., 1932. 25 p. 281.12 Un33
- U. S. Congress. House. Committee on the civil service. Thirty-year optional retirement. Hearing. seventy-second Congress, first session, on H.R.349, H. R. 5492, H.R. 5325, H. R. 7712. May 16-18, 1932. Washington, U. S. Govt. print. off., 1932. 86 p. 283 Un37th.

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Roy C. Potts, in charge of the Division of Dairy and Poultry Products, and L. M. Davis and C. E. Eckles, of that staff, will represent the division at the Dairy Industries Exposition, to be held at Detroit, Michigan, October 17-20. Messrs. Potts and Eckles will meet with a committee of the American Dairy Science Association for the consideration of grade standards for butter and direct methods of grading butter, as proposed by these Bureau members. Mr. Eckles will also serve as chairman of the butter judging committee of the National Students Butter Judging Contest and serve as one of the official judges. Mr. Davis will attend the various meetings held in conjunction with the Exposition and visit the Chicago office of the division before returning to Washington.

John B. Shepard, Division of Crop and Livestock Estimates, will address the annual convention of the International Association of Milk Dealers, in session at Detroit, Mich., October 17-19, on the subject "Trends in Milk Production."

Dr. T. B. Manny, Division of Farm Population and Rural Life, will attend the fifteenth annual meeting of the American Country Life Association at Oglebay Park, W. Va., October 14-16. The topic this year is "Adult Education and Rural Life," and Doctor Manny will take part in the discussion of several papers bearing upon adult education in agricultural economic matters. This Bureau has been represented at the meetings of the American Country Life Association since the Association was first organized 15 years ago.

E. G. Boerner, Grain Division, left Washington October 10 for Chicago, Ill., Minneapolis and Duluth, Minn., Omaha, Nebr., Kansas City, Mo., Indianapolis, Ind., Fort Worth and Houston, Tex., New Orleans, La., and Nashville, Tenn., to confer with field officials of the division, licensed grain and rice inspectors, and members of the grain and rice trade, about grain and rice standardization and inspection problems. He will not return for three weeks.

David L. Wickens, Division of Agricultural Finance, is attending the nineteenth annual convention of the Mortgage Bankers Association of America, in session at Niagara Falls, N. Y., October 11-13. He is participating in discussions on farm mortgage credit and conferring with the Association's research committee regarding the Bureau's research project, entitled, "Volume, Sources, and Cost of Farm Mortgage Loans," in which the Association members are cooperating. The Association is made up of about 400 member firms and 30 life insurance companies, in addition to local affiliated associations. As a part of this trip Mr. Wickens will visit New York and Chicago, where he will consult with officials of insurance companies and other agencies who extend credit to agriculture.

Dr. Daniel DeCamp has been licensed by the Division of Dairy and Poultry Products as poultry inspector in the Sherman-White Poultry Plant, Fort Wayne, Ind., and reported for duty October 6.

Leaving Washington yesterday, October 11, R. J. Cheatham, Division of Cotton Marketing, will spend the next week on a trip to Cleveland and Cincinnati, Ohio, St. Louis, Mo., and New York City. He will consult with manufacturing interests in regard to printing inks which may be easily removed from bagging materials, and about other cotton utilization problems.

Thos. W. Heitz, Division of Dairy and Poultry Products, left Washington October 8 on an extended western trip, during which he will conduct turkey grading schools at Casper, Wyo., Great Falls, Mont., Valley City, N. D., and one in South Dakota at a point yet to be decided. En route to Casper, he will stop in cities in Ohio, Indiana, Missouri, and Kansas, to check up on the Federal-State egg and poultry grading work in those States.

Most of the grapefruit which had been picked before the recent hurricane in Puerto Rico, or which may yet be salvaged, will be shipped from the island by October 15, according to a wire from A. S. Mason, in charge of inspections there. It is expected that from that date until at least the middle of November, Mr. Mason will be furloughed by this Department, in order that he may assist with the reconstruction work to be handled through the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of Baltimore, San Juan Branch.

A wire has just been received by the Division of Crop and Livestock Estimates to the effect that J. G. Diamond, senior agricultural statistician for Montana, is in the hospital at Missoula as the result of injuries received in an automobile accident, and that he will not be able to report for work again for six weeks or two months.

Rob R. Slocum, Division of Dairy and Poultry Products, who has been absent for three weeks on account of an operation, is making a fine recovery, and expects to report back for duty this week.

At the annual State Fair of Texas, which opened in Dallas on October 8, daily demonstrations are being given of the grading of citrus fruits by inspectors under the direction of Hart T. Longino, of the Division of Fruits and Vegetables. The purpose of these demonstrations is to acquaint housewives and others with the characteristics of the several grades. While Mr. Longino supervises shipping-point inspections of southern Texas citrus and vegetables, he will make his headquarters in Harlingen.

Miss Dorothy Nickerson, Division of Cotton Marketing, assistant color technologist, will attend a meeting of the Optical Society of America at Lake Placid, N. Y., October 13-15, for the purpose of consulting with specialists in attendance regarding work of significant importance to the research work being done in cotton.

R. B. Mericle, licensed poultry inspector at the Sherman-White Poultry Plant, Fort Wayne, Ind., has been transferred by the Division of Dairy and Poultry Products to Seattle, Wash., to inspect poultry at the plant of Malini, under cooperative agreement with the Washington State Department of Agriculture.

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NATIONAL LAND-USE PLANNING COMMITTEE

SPONSERS LOCAL LAND-USE PLANNING PROJECTS.

The National Land-Use Planning Committee at its recent 4-day meeting in Washington, heard the reports of the chairmen of the various technical sub-committees, and conducted various other business. The Committee displayed a deep interest in the land-use planning project being carried on in the State of Georgia by the Division of Land Economics and the Regents of the University System of Georgia, and also in a similar project initiated in the State of Minnesota by the Experiment Station and associated State agencies. The Committee expressed itself as being in entire sympathy with the general objectives of these projects and expressed its readiness to associate itself with the State agencies involved in developing a land-use program and to that end its good offices in enlisting the cooperation of the various Federal agencies and National organizations which may be of value in developing such a program, and to promote the appropriate coordination of State and Federal policies in relation thereto. They regard these local land-use planning studies as a very significant development.

Among other reports received at the meeting was one made by Dr. C. F. Marbut, chairman, Technical Committee No. III, Land Inventories and Land Classification. The Planning Committee expressed its pleasure at the progress which this report indicated had been made in land classification. Land classification on a physical basis is now actually under way. the work being done in the Soil Survey of the Bureau of Chemistry and Soils in cooperation with the States. Dr. C. P. Barnes, of the Division of Land Economics, has been detailed to the Soil Survey to assist with the work, which is based primarily upon the factors of soil, climate, and relief. Ratings are then determined on the basis of suitability for the various principal crops. Physical classification is essential to economic classification, which will be begun when the physical classification has become more advanced.

SEED-VERIFICATION OFFICE

HAS A RED-LETTER DAY.

October 11 was a red-letter day for the Chicago office of the Seed-Verification Service, when it handled the verification of origin of 2,377,055 pounds of seed (all red clover except 671 pounds of alfalfa). This is equivalent to nearly 80 carloads, or a little less than 1/25 of the estimated total production of red clover seed in the United States this year. Thus far this season the verification of red clover seed has run ahead of that of any other season.

U. S. Dept. of Agriculture Library,
Attn. Miss Trolinger,
4 J Washington, D. C.

E. W. BAKER EFFECTS APPRECIABLE
SAVINGS AT FIELD OFFICES ON TRIP.

E. W. Baker, of the Division of Livestock, Meats, and Wool, returned to the Washington office this week from a trip of supervisory character which embraced the majority of the market news field offices of the division. One of the primary objects of Mr. Baker's trip was that of making a survey of the more or less minor expenditures of the various offices with the view of ascertaining where savings could be effected without the sacrifice of essential services.

The net result of this investigation was a reduction of between \$1200 and \$1300 per annum in operating costs which had previously been carefully scrutinized and which, it had been thought, had been cut to an irreducible minimum. Telephone and commercial wire expenditures make up the major portion of the items associated with the cost of operation that were found subject to pruning without detriment to the service, while small savings here and there in expenditures for travel, in connection with the conservation of supplies and equipment and small curtailments in the distribution of mail reports, the latter in addition to the successful drive in that direction made by the division earlier in the fiscal year, brought desired results.

Mr. Baker reports that field employees in general with whom he came in contact are extremely appreciative of the propriety and necessity for practicing rigid economies in the conduct of the service and more than ever are desirous of doing their full part in increasing its efficiency.

LABELS ON CANNED LIMA BEANS
TO CARRY U. S. GRADES.

In order to use the initials "U. S." before the grades on labels of canned fruits or vegetables, it is required that a representative of this Bureau supervise the entire plant during the packing of these products, to insure the use of the proper raw stock as well as compliance with certain sanitary regulations. Samples of the finished product must also be graded before it is labeled.

To so supervise the packing of lima beans at the cannery of the G. L. Webster Canning Company, Loyde M. Billman of the canned fruit and vegetable grading project, Division of Fruits and Vegetables, is spending some time at Cheriton on the Eastern Shore of Virginia. This is the first service of this kind rendered.

MARKETING ACTIVITIES QUOTED
IN FRENCH LANGUAGE PAPER.

The publication, MARKETING ACTIVITIES, issued each week by this Bureau, is being widely quoted in clip sheets and other informative reports released by State colleges of agriculture and State departments of agriculture. The news items are being picked up in turn by the daily press, trade journals, and magazines of general circulation. Recently LA PRESSE, a French language newspaper published at Montreal, Canada, featured on its

editorial page an article from MARKETING ACTIVITIES, crediting the source of the article in the following opening paragraph:

"In a recent edition of MARKETING ACTIVITIES, a review published by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics of the Department of Agriculture at Washington, Dr. G. F. Warren, of Cornell University, says that scientific research, the extension of agricultural instruction, the use of improved agricultural machinery and greater returns from manual labor, constitute the principal means of overcoming the economic depression."

LOAN OF TRUCKS TO POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT
FOR CHRISTMAS MAILING SEASON.

The Chief Coordinator has advised the Department that in view of the great saving to the Government effected in previous years by the cooperation of other Departments in renting trucks to the Post Office Department for handling mail during the Christmas mailing season, it is desired that a similar procedure be followed this year. This Department desires to comply with the request so far as practicable. Field men having Bureau trucks in their custody and who believe that they can be loaned to the local branch of the Post Office Department for any portion of the Christmas mailing season without detriment to the Bureau work for which the trucks are regularly used, are requested to notify the Coordinator of the area in which they are located to that effect. The Post Office Department will furnish the gas, oil, and grease necessary in the operation of the trucks borrowed, will keep them in repair during the period of their use, and will return them to the point from which obtained in the same condition in which they were turned over to the postal service, ordinary wear and tear excepted.

It is desired that field men contemplating such loan of equipment notify the Business Manager of the Bureau through their division leader as soon as practicable, stating what arrangements they propose to enter into.

DID HE FLY OUT OF THE WINDOW?

Did the Mexican bean beetle escape from the clutches of the messenger as he walked from Building C to the South Building? -- More exactly stated, a manuscript entitled "The Mexican Bean Beetle," has been lost, has strayed, or been stolen somewhere between the Division of Farm Management and Costs and the Division of Economic Information. This manuscript was placed in the general mail several days ago and has not been seen since.

Moral: Manuscripts are quite valuable, often irreplaceable, involving much work on the part of authors if the original is lost. Always send manuscripts by special messenger. Between the Bureau and the Department Office of Information receipts are required for every manuscript, and messengers are held responsible. The same rule should apply for manuscripts handled by divisions within the Bureau.

BUREAU NOON-HOUR RADIO
BROADCASTING PROGRAM.

The national radio program of the Department is broadcast daily, except Sundays, from 12:45 to 1:00 p.m., eastern standard time. The following members of the Bureau are on the program for the week beginning October 24:

October 24, 1:00 p.m., Discussion by L. C. Gray and C. F. Clayton, this Bureau, and F. L. Teuton, Radio Service, entitled: "What do you mean - Land Classification?"

October 26, 12:54 p.m., Roy C. Potts, October Poultry and Egg Markets

October 27, 12:46 p.m., G. A. Collier, October Grain Markets

The western radio program of the Department is broadcast daily, except Saturdays and Sundays, from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m., Pacific standard time. Field members of the Bureau are on the program for the week beginning October 24, as follows:

October 24, 12:33 p.m., F. L. Lyons, The Grain Market Situation

October 25, 12:34 p.m., F. H. McCampbell, Getting Turkeys Ready for Market

October 26, 12:35 p.m., W. E. Schneider, October Livestock and Meat Markets

October 27, 12:36 p.m., F. L. Lyons, October Alfalfa Market

October 28, 12:34 p.m., C. J. Hansen, On Fruit and Vegetable Markets

GREATER EFFICIENCY NEEDED
IN ADDRESSING MAIL.

Every day the Post Office returns to the Bureau many envelopes which it has been unable to deliver because of various reasons. The Section of Mails and Files counted those coming back during the week ending September 26, and found there were 726. The following tabulation is called to the attention of employees at the request of the Business Manager. It shows why these envelopes were returned, some of which reasons indicate that proper care in sending out mail is not being taken by the Bureau employees concerned. Your cooperation in reducing lost motion in the handling of mail and in avoiding waste in the use of stationery is urged.

No Contents	13 : Out of business	21
Unclaimed	208 : Not at address given	10
No reasons given	8 : Not in directory	24
Moved, left no address	159 : No such rural route	1
Deceased	36 : No such building	6
Unknown	56 : No such street or number	16
No such Post Office	72 : For postage	1
Refused	29 : Duplicate	1
For better address	20 :	
No address on envelope	45 :	<u>726</u>

IN THE LIBRARY:

Among the accessions to the Bureau Library for the week ending October 14 are:

Brazilian. American coffee promotion committee. Coffee survey series...
New York [1932?] 280.32 B73.

Fisher, Ronald A. Statistical methods for research workers... 4th ed.-
rev. and enl. Edinburgh, London, Oliver and Boyd, 1932. 307 p.
(Biological monographs and manuals... no.5) 251 F53 Ed.4

Gerard, Jack. Gerard's fruit & vegetable manual. Tacoma, Wash., F.B.Wines
publishing co. [1932] 153 p. 280.3 G31

Kansas. State college of agriculture and applied science, Manhattan.
Extension service. Report of grain grading schools, Santa Fe rail-
way, May 2-13, 1932, by Vance M. Rucker, extension economist, market-
ing. Manhattan, Kansas. [1932] 21 p. typewritten. 275.2 K133

Loesch, Harald Hermann von. Die Mir-verfassung, ihre entstehung, aus-
bildung und ihr abbau, unter besonderer berücksichtigung der um-
teilungsgemeinde... Berlin, 1931. 87 p. Inaug.-diss.- Landw. hoch-
schule, Berlin. 281.179 L82

National league of women voters. Committee on women in industry. A federal-
state employment service. Washington, D. C.. Committee on women in
industry, National league of women voters, 1932. 22 p. 283 N216

League of nations. Economic committee. Hops. Report of the delegation
of the Economic committee on the meeting of experts on hops. (Febru-
ary 22nd to 24th, 1932) Geneva, 1932. 4p. (Series of League of
nations. Publications II. Economic and financial. 1932. II. B.5)
280.9 L47P

League of nations. Economic intelligence service. World economic sur-
vey, 1931-32. Geneva, 1932. 327p. (Series of League of nations
Publications. II. Economic and financial. 1932. II. A. 18) 280.9
L47P

League of nations. Financial committee. Gold delegation. Report of the
Gold delegation of the Financial committee. Geneva, 1932. 83p.
(Series of League of nations Publications. II. Economic and finan-
cial. 1932. II. A. 12) 280.9 L47P

Saskatchewan (Province) Dept. of agriculture. Markets branch. Some notes
on marketing Saskatchewan potatoes [by] J.K.Finlayson, Markets
branch, Department of agriculture... Regina [1932?] 18 p. 280.375
Sa7

BUREAU BREVITIES.

FARM MORTGAGE TERMS AND CONDITIONS 1931-1932, a preliminary report by David L. Wickens, Division of Agricultural Finance, has just been published. This report is based upon data supplied by periodic reports from representative mortgage bankers, including banks and trust companies active in lending on farm real estate security.

U. S. STANDARDS FOR CITRUS FRUITS were issued on October 9. They supersede U. S. Standards for Florida Citrus Fruits and U. S. Standards for Texas Citrus Fruits, issued August 7, 1930. They do not apply to California and Arizona citrus fruits for which separate U. S. standards are issued.

SINCERE APPRECIATION OF THE YEARBOOK of this Department is expressed in several letters received by Edward A. Foley, agricultural attaché of the Bureau at London, who has distributed copies of the book in England. Outstanding among these letters is one from George J. S. Broomhall, of the Corn Trade News, who writes:

"Please accept my best thanks for the copy of the American Agricultural Year Book for 1932 received this morning. I am, of course, publicly giving this excellent work a prominent notice in 'Corn Trade News' and trust that many members of the English grain trade will find much profit and pleasure in reading the many well informed articles and exhausttive statistics that it contains. I myself have found particular pleasure in reading the Secretary's remarks regarding the world influence on American Agriculture, which I consider as lucid an exposition of the subject as I have yet read."

RECENT MARKETING SUMMARIES of the Division of Fruits and Vegetables are:

- Marketing Colorado, Nebraska and Wyoming Potatoes, 1931-32 Season, (Colorado Extension Service Cooperating), by Bryce Morris
- Marketing Idaho Potatoes, 1931-32 Season, by R. G. Risser
- Marketing Michigan Potatoes, 1931-32 Season, (Michigan Department of Agriculture. Bureau of Foods & Standards Cooperating), by R. E. Keller
- Marketing Michigan Apples, 1931 Season, (Michigan Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Foods & Standards Cooperating), by R. E. Keller
- Marketing Western New York Potatoes, 1931-32 Season, (New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets Cooperating), by R. L. Sutton and A. L. Thomas
- Marketing Western New York Apples, 1931-32 Season, (New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets Cooperating), by R. L. Sutton and A. L. Thomas
- Marketing Shenandoah-Cumberland-Potomac District Apples (Virginia, West Virginia, Pennsylvania and Other Maryland), 1931 Season, by R. Maynard Peterson and J. B. Owens
- Marketing Wisconsin Potatoes, 1931-32 Season. (Wisconsin State Department of Agriculture and Markets Cooperating), by A. M. McDowell

MARKETING SOYBEANS BASIS U. S. STANDARDS, the address delivered by J. E. Barr, of the Division of Hay Feed, and Seed, at the annual meeting of the American Soybean Association, Washington, D. C., September 3 has been mimeographed for distribution.

RULES AND REGULATIONS of the Secretary of Agriculture governing the inspection and certification of Beans and Peas have been issued as of September, 1932.

HERE AND THERE.

Mr. Olsen and Mr. Kitchen spent Monday and Tuesday of this week inspecting the tobacco grading and market news work in some of the markets of North Carolina and in southern Virginia.

Victor N. Valgren, Division of Agricultural Finance, is in Chicago today (October 19), attending a meeting of the Committee on Farm Fire Protection. He will make a report for the Sub-committee on Farm Fire Losses. The Committee as a whole will also consider and act upon various other reports of sub-committees dealing with lightning control, rural fire protection, electric installations, arson, and 4-H Club fire-prevention activities, including a proposed publication by the National Fire Protection Association, entitled: "The Volunteer Fire Department." While there he will also gather information on current problems of agricultural insurance, from officials and managers of farm insurance companies or departments, with headquarters in Chicago.

C. A. Burmeister, Division of Livestock, Meats, and Wool, will attend a meeting in Chicago tomorrow, October 20, of members of the Council Group of One Hundred on Livestock Production and Meat Distribution, appointed by the Federal Farm Board. Consideration will be given to current and future livestock production and marketing problems. Mr. Burmeister will remain in Chicago to take part in a meeting on Friday of the Livestock Advisory Committee of the Board.

Paul M. Williams, in charge of the canned fruit and vegetable grading project of the Division of Fruits and Vegetables, will spend ten days, beginning October 19, on a trip to Chillicothe, Ohio, and Detroit, Mich., to supervise the grading at those points of canned foods and certain lots of cherries for the Veterans Administration.

Henry M. Taylor, statistician for Virginia, Division of Crop and Livestock Estimates, is spending several days in Washington this week, compiling special information for the division at the Bureau of the Census.

H. J. Wadleigh, associate agricultural economist, has reported for duty in the Foreign Agricultural Service Division, where he will work under the direction of Lynn R. Edminster in the field of foreign government legislation relating to agriculture. Mr. Wadleigh was formerly associate agricultural economist of the staff of the Federal Farm Board. He holds the Bachelor and Masters' degrees from Oxford University, the Bachelor of Science degree from the London School of Economy, and he has also studied at the University of Kiel in Germany and at the University of Chicago.

Chas. E. Gage, in charge of the Tobacco Section, is inspecting the tobacco grading service at Raleigh, N. C., and South Boston, Va., this week.

The inspection office of the Division of Fruits and Vegetables at Birmingham, Ala., which has been closed since last spring, will reopen on October 20. Bolling Hall, formerly of the New York City staff of the division, will be in charge at Birmingham. The address will be: 44 Post Office Building.

Meade T. Foster, Division of Livestock, Meats, and Wool, left Washington Sunday for Ithaca, N. Y., to conduct a feeder-steer grading demonstration this week before the faculty and students of the Animal Husbandry Department at Cornell University.

W. E. Lewis, Division of Fruits and Vegetables, left Washington Monday for a ten-day trip to points in Ohio and possibly to other States where cabbage is made into kraut, for the purpose of investigating changes in the U. S. grades for cabbage for kraut.

H. C. R. Stewart, Division of Crop and Livestock Estimates, who has recently transferred from Columbia, Mo., to Charleston, W. Va., was in Washington last week and conferred with division officials about his work in the State, incident to his recent change in official headquarters.

R. L. Spengler, Division of Fruits and Vegetables, will proceed this week to potato-producing districts in Maine and other northern States to investigate potato grading. A revision of the U. S. grades may be made by the autumn of 1933.

Chas. Sperle, Division of Crop and Livestock Estimates, will leave Washington October 24 for Ohio, Michigan, Indiana and Illinois, where he will obtain data on onion stocks and truck crops.

Leopold K. Macfarlane, of the Washington office of the Warehouse Division, is being detailed to the Raleigh, N. C. office for a temporary period to assist with the clerical work there.

Mauricio Perez-Catan, chief of the Economics Research Seminary, Faculty of Agronomy and Veterinary, University of Buenos Aires, recently visited the Division of Land Economics and other divisions of the Bureau. Mr. Perez-Catan was interested in learning of the various activities being carried on by the Bureau.

Please, please send back all copies of the October 1 AGRICULTURAL SITUATION which you can spare. The edition was short and copies are badly needed. Address to the Division of Economic Information.

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COMMUNITY CHEST CAMPAIGN.

Outlining the plan of procedure in the forthcoming Community Chest Campaign in a letter to Mr. Olsen, Dr. W. W. Stockberger, Chairman for the Department, says:

"The fifth annual campaign of the Community Chest of Washington, D. C., will be held November 14-23, 1932. For the purpose of securing voluntary subscriptions the Department of Agriculture has been designated a separate division and we are requested to carry the Chest appeal personally to each employee on our rolls in Washington.

"The campaign will be carried on along the lines followed last year. Accordingly you are requested to designate a section chief to have charge of organization and solicitation in your bureau. Each section chief will appoint the necessary number of keymen and assistant keymen to do the job thoroughly. So far as practicable the personnel of last year's organization should be designated for the present campaign."

As this campaign is carried on by the Community Chest of Washington, D. C., on behalf of its member agencies, no gift or pledge can be accepted for any organization in Washington which is not a member of the Chest, or for any organization whatsoever outside the District of Columbia. Employees residing outside the District should make whatever contribution they wish to the work of the Chest, and make all other contributions personally without reference to this campaign.

A pledge card shall be made out in full for every contribution, whether cash or pledge. Each contributor shall have the privilege of designating his gift as he desires to the various member agencies of the Community Chest.

Miss Mayme Parker has been appointed to take charge of the campaign for this Bureau, and key representatives have been designated with the approval of division leaders and section heads as follows:

Agricultural Finance.....	Miss Leota Laughlin
Audits and Accounts.....	Miss Annie H. Alves
Cold Storage.....	Mrs. Torey L. Wright
Cotton Division	Mrs. Cora L. Carson
Crop and Livestock Estimates.....	Mrs. Mae Albaugh
Dairy and Poultry Products.....	Miss Elizabeth M. Bayliss
Farm Management.....	Miss Anna M. Elder
Farm Population and Rural Life.....	Miss Mildred H. Niles
Foreign Agricultural Service.....	William H. Rohrman
Fruits and Vegetables.....	Miss Lucy Watt
Graphics Section.....	Miss Helen C. Fuller
Information.....	Miss Catherine M. Viehmann
Grain Division.....	Miss Mildred Steiger
Hay, Feed, and Seed.....	Miss Virginia Bell
Land Economics.....	Miss Nettie P. Bradshaw

Library.....	Miss Margaret T. Olcott
Livestock, Meats, and Wool.....	Miss Edna M. Jordan and Mrs. Marian A. Clayton
Machine Tabulating and Computing Section.....	Mrs. Lillian J. Holmes
Mails and Files.....	Mr. Yuba V. Allnutt
Office of Chief.....	Miss Katherine C. Joyce
Personnel.....	Dennis N. Hevener
Property and Supplies.....	Miss Rose L. Moulter
Stenographic Section.....	Julian J. Gernova
Statistical and Historical Research.....	Miss Grace Stocker
Telegraph Section.....	Mrs. Edith B. Cochran
Tobacco Section.....	Mrs. Merle Eicke
Warehouse Division.....	Miss Harriet E. Smith

AMERICAN COUNTRY LIFE ASSOCIATION MEETING.

How farm people may get more out of life with a minimum expenditure of cash was probably the dominant note in the recent annual meeting of the American Country Life Association held at Oglebay Park, Wheeling, West Virginia, according to Dr. T. B. Manny, of the Division of Farm Population and Rural Life. The general topic for discussion was "Adult Education and Rural Life." Six discussion groups considered various phases of the subject, as follows: "The Agricultural Extension System"; "Adult Education by Religious Organizations"; "The Cultural Arts"; "Rural Adult Education through the Schools"; "The Extension of Library Service," and "Regional Planning and Adult Education." Doctor Manny took part in the discussion of several papers bearing upon adult education in agricultural economic matters.

One general assembly period considered the topic "Economic Education Needed Today." Both speakers on this program stressed the idea that farmers stand in need of more general economic facts regarding world-wide conditions as a basis for more rational production programs on individual farms. At the same time, however, the idea of local self-sufficiency and a decentralization of light manufacturing to give part-time employment to farm people and to utilize raw products closer to their point of origin came in for some attention. The possibilities of increasing the spread and utilization of economic information relating to agriculture came up for discussion at one session of the group considering the Agricultural Extension Service. Greater use of local units of general farmers' organizations for this purpose was urged.

Local cooperative activity in all fields of rural life was commended in several different discussion groups and appeals for help in promoting such group activities were made by the extension forces. The break down of the competitive system and the advantage of replacing it by the cooperative system were discussed at some length.

The location of the meeting at Oglebay Park was significant in the light of the topic, for Oglebay Park itself indicates many of the possibilities of combining some forms of child and adult education with wholesome recreation. In the maintenance of this work the State University, State Agricultural College and Extension Service, Ohio County, city of Wheeling, West Virginia, business interests of northwestern West Virginia, south-

western Pennsylvania, and eastern Ohio, and organized rural groups are all cooperating.

MOTION PICTURE BEING MADE
OF NEW INSPECTION WORK.

Motion pictures of the inspection and canning of lima beans in a factory at Cheriton, Va., on the Eastern Shore, are being made this week by the Motion Picture Laboratory under the general direction of Loyde M. Billman of the Division of Fruits and Vegetables. This special new type of inspection and labeling was described in The B. A. E. News of last week. The picture will include field scenes and show every step of the process from the growing of the beans to the labeling of the cans. It is being made as a part of a general film showing various phases of standardization work, for possible use at the Century of Progress Fair.

PAPER ALLOTMENT REQUIRES CONTINUED
GUARDING TO MEET WINTER DEMANDS.

Records of expenditures for paper in the Bureau for the first quarter of the fiscal year, July 1-October 1, show that Bureau expenditures have kept within the allotment of the budget to the latter date. Rather severe restrictions have been necessary, and it will be necessary to continue to save in every possible way if the allotment is to last for the whole year. There has been an increase in the use of paper in the past during the winter months, particularly during December when quite a number of special reports are issued. Both the size and the editions of all mimeographed publications should be held to the minimum during the next two or three months.

A detailed record of mimeograph work of each division is being kept in the Division of Economic Information, where any division representative may see it to make estimates regarding proposed publications in determining whether the division allotment will allow for its issuance.

All divisions are urged to restrict distribution of quantities of mimeographs and to send copies only when they are requested or can be used effectively in answering inquiries in general correspondence. The general policy is to restrict the first distribution of publication to those who are officially connected with the work involved in the report and not to use general mailing lists for automatic distribution.

INSPECTION OF 1,500,000 BOXES
OF FLORIDA GRAPEFRUIT EXPECTED.

More than a million boxes of Florida grapefruit are already in prospect for inspection this season, O. G. Strauss, supervising inspector of the Division of Fruits and Vegetables at Orlando wrote that division in a recent letter. Another prospective contract, which Mr. Strauss wrote was about to be decided, would add 500,000 boxes at one packing house, if the shippers accept the inspection service. These figures have a special significance when compared with the entire commercial grapefruit crop in Florida, which is estimated at 6,700,000 boxes for this season.

BUREAU--NOCN HOUR RADIO
BROADCASTING PROGRAM.

The national radio program of the Department is broadcast daily, except Sundays, from 12:45 to 1:00 p.m., eastern standard time. The following members of the Bureau are on the program for the week beginning October 31:

October 31, 12:54 p.m., L. M. Davis, October Dairy Markets
1:00 p.m., L. A. Wheeler, Farm News from Foreign
Lands

November 1, 1:14 p.m., A. B. Genung, Comments on the Agricultural
Situation

The western radio program of the Department is broadcast daily, except Saturdays and Sundays, from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m., Pacific standard time. Field members of the Bureau are on the program for the week beginning October 31, as follows:

October 31, 12:33 p.m., Frank L. Lyons, The Grain Market Situation
November 1, 12:35 p.m., Frank H. McCampbell, Current Problems of
Western Poultrymen (Prepared by A. R.
Lee, B. A. I.)

November 2, 12:36 p.m., W. E. Schneider, The Wool Market Situation
November 4, 12:33 p.m., Carl J. Hansen, On Fruit and Vegetable
Markets

PROCEDURE FOR OBTAINING SMALL
SPACE ASSIGNMENTS IN FIELD.

Section III, paragraph 3, a, of Bulletin No. 113 dated January 2, 1929, of the Chief Coordinator, has been amended to read as follows, and field employees are requested to comply with the instructions in this amendment:

"As the space desired to be obtained under leases involving less than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) per annum is often so small, and the use to which it is to be devoted is such as to indicate that the need might be easily met by assignment or adjustment in publicly owned or commercially rented space already available, it will only be necessary that all departments and establishments (other than the Post Office Department) direct their local agencies to present applications to the local Federal business association or its real estate committee, or in places where there is no Federal business association to the custodian of the Federal building, for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not space is available or can be made available in such building, and if not, such fact be recorded in a certificate to accompany the report of the lease made to the Federal Real Estate Board as prescribed in sub-paragraph b below. In case of a conflict of opinion, the matter may be presented to the area coordinator whose decision will be final, subject to appeal through this office to the Surveyor General of Real Estate by the proper department or establishment head in Washington. Report of any action taken by a Federal business association or its real estate committee will be made to the area coordinator and consolidated by him and included in his report to the Chief Coordinator for filing with the records of the Federal Real Estate Board. The Post Office Department may invoke the aid of the local association in obtaining space for rentals under \$500.00. In such cases, however, the decision of the Post Office Department will, in accordance with law, control."

HE FLEW IN THE WINDOW.

The Mexican bean beetle has flown in the window. Last week we asked if he (meaning a manuscript entitled "The Mexican Bean Beetle") had flown out, and our inquiry resulted in the manuscript's return to the Bureau editors the day after the item was published. They are, of course, grateful to the sender, who failed to give his name!!!

REPORTS AND OTHER RECENT RELEASES OF THE BUREAU.

BIBLIOGRAPHY No. 39:

GREECE: A GUIDE TO OFFICIAL STATISTICS OF Agriculture, Population and Food Supply, Agricultural Economics Bibliography No. 39. Part I, An Annotated List of Official Publications, was compiled by Mrs. M. Hannay under the direction of Miss Mary G. Lacy, Librarian of this Bureau; Part II, Methods of Collection and Analysis of Official Statistics, was prepared by Dr. J. D. Black and Constantin Ladas, formerly a resident of Macedonia, for the Bureau of International Research of Harvard University and Radcliffe College. Mr. Ladas handled the Greek literature pertaining to the subject. He has recently completed five years of study at the Massachusetts State College, majoring in agricultural economics and rural sociology. This is the second release in this study, the first having related to Switzerland.

MARKETING SUMMARIES:

The Division of Fruits and Vegetables has issued the following:

Marketing Western New York Apples, Summary of the 1931-32 Season, (New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets Cooperating), by R. L. Sutton and A. L. Thomas.

Marketing Maine Potatoes, Summary of the 1931-32 Season, (The Maine Division of Markets Cooperating), by V. H. Nicholson.

P. A. C. ACT SUMMARIES:

THE FIRST ISSUE OF A GENERAL CIRCULAR containing summaries of decisions of the Secretary on complaints filed under the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act were sent last week to the technical staff of the Division of Fruits and Vegetables with the Division Letter of October 21. These summaries are like those which appeared for many months as a part of the Division Letter, and such as were published on October 7 as a supplement to the Division Letter. The new circular is intended for general distribution, both within and outside of the Department.

PRESS RELEASES:

Beef Consumption Lower; Pork and Lamb Consumption Up (Oct. 17)
Farm Tax Increases in Pacific States (Oct. 22)
The Week's Cotton Trade (Oct. 22)

RULES AND REGULATIONS of the Secretary of Agriculture Governing the Inspection of Hay and Straw, under an Act of Congress Approved July 7, 1932 (47 Stat. 609-646). They become effective January 2, 1933, and supersede Service and Regulatory Announcement No. 110.

IN THE LIBRARY:

Among the accessions to the Bureau Library for the week ending October 21 are:

- Chase, Stuart. A new deal. New York, The Macmillan company, 1932. 257 p. 280.12 C38N
- China international famine relief commission. Herr Raiffeisen among Chinese farmers; experiences gained in rural co-operative credit in a North China province since 1922. Pieping, 1930. 138 p. ([Publication] Ser. B, no. 37) 280.9 C442
- Curtis publishing company, Philadelphia. Markets and quotas; a study of counties and cities with population of 10,000 and over. Philadelphia, Advertising department, Curtis publishing company, 1932. 311 p. 280.32 C94
- International industrial relations institute. World social economic planning: the necessity for planned adjustment of productive capacity and standards of living. Material contributed to the World social economic congress, Amsterdam, August 1931, published by the International industrial relations institute, M. L. Fledderus, editor. The Hague, Holland [1932] 2v. 280.9 In88W
- Rogers, Thomas Wesley. The occupational experience of one hundred unemployed persons in Bloomington, Indiana, by Thomas Wesley Rogers in collaboration with Wallace P. Studencki and Peter Obsenica. [Bloomington, Ind.] Bureau of business research, Indiana university, 1931. 61 p. 283 R632
- Salter, Sir James Arthur, and others. The world's economic crisis and the way of escape... New York, Century co. [1932] 185 p. (Halley Stewart lecture, 1931) 280 Sa33W
- Timoshenko, Valdimir prokopovich. Agricultural Russia and the wheat problem. [Palo Alto, Calif.] Food research institute and the Committee on Russian research of the Hoover war library, Stanford university [1932] 571 p. (Stanford university. Food research institute. Grain economics series, no. 1) 281.3599 St2
- USSR chamber of commerce, Moscow. Economic conditions in the USSR Handbook for foreign economists, specialists and workers. Moscow. [Vneshtorgizdat] 1931. 285 p. 280.179 Un3
- Voutcho, Nicholas. La Banque agricole de Yougoslavie; son role dans la crise agricole actuelle... Paris, Rousseau & Cie, 1932. 227 p. 284.2 V94
- Wojewodzki, Felix. A world farmers' federation; an international wheat growers' federation; an international grain bank. Warsaw [Printing works Wspolczesna] 1931. 52 p.

HERE AND THERE

Dr. L. C. Gray, in charge of the Division of Land Economics, returned last week from a 10-day field trip to the Lake States. Doctor Gray addressed a Michigan Land Utilization Conference at Munising and spent two days at St. Paul, Minn., and one day at Madison, Wis., conferring with officials in regard to land utilization projects in those States being developed under the auspices of the National Land Use Planning Committee.

W. A. Sherman, in charge, and R. C. Butner, of the Division of Fruits and Vegetables, will go to Winchester, Va., tomorrow to acquaint themselves with some of the details of shipping point inspection as the basis for the continuance of sanitary certificates, as required by France and Argentina.

Mr. Hughes is just back in Washington from a trip to New York and Boston in the interest of housing the Bureau's offices at those points. He attended the National Business Show while in New York.

Mr. Hughes was particularly impressed with the orderliness of the Joint Offices in New York City in their new quarters, and takes this occasion to point out to field representatives the desirability of keeping their offices in order, and to impress upon them that the orderly appearance of offices is a factor that has been considered in the assigning of space in Federal Buildings.

H. J. Besley, Grain Division, spent Tuesday in New York City, meeting with exporters of barley and representatives of the North American Grain Exporters Association in regard to the inspection and grading of export barley, with special reference to "Scab" barley.

Niels I. Nielson, representing the Foreign Agricultural Service as agricultural commissioner at Marseilles, France, has been authorized to make a trip through the dried fruit markets of northwestern Europe in the interest of his work in reporting on dried fruit crops and market conditions in the Mediterranean Basin. He will call at the Bureau's Berlin and London offices. Leaving his station about November 1, he will visit Germany, the Netherlands, Belgium and England on a five-week trip.

Edward C. Parker, senior marketing specialist, will leave Washington October 27 for Chicago, Ill., Minneapolis, Minn., Bozeman, Mont., Portland, Oreg., San Francisco, Calif., and Kansas City, Mo., where he will hold conferences with Federal grain supervisors, State agricultural college officials, and others on grain standardization problems. He will be in the field about three weeks.

C. A. Burmeister, Division of Livestock, Meats, and Wool, will attend the annual convention of the Institute of American Meat Packers, at Chicago, November 14-16, and give an address on the hog situation and outlook.

L. H. Bean, Division of Statistical and Historical Research, will go to Chicago October 29, to attend a special committee meeting of the Association of Land Grant Colleges, called by Dean Cooper of Kentucky College of Agriculture.

Food and Folks from the Hinterland is the title of an article by Dr. O. E. Baker, Division of Land Economics, in The Survey of October 1. On the opening page of the periodical, the editor calls attention to Doctor Baker's article in the following paragraph:

"Senior agricultural economist of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, author and lecturer on economic geography, O. E. Baker writes on page 450 of the great areas from which we now draw our daily bread and the sharply limited areas from which cities must hereafter draw their population."

John A. Hicks, secretary of the Crop Reporting Board, was injured in an automobile accident last week when returning to Washington from his uncle's funeral at Richmond, Va. He is now in the hospital at Fredericksburg, Va. Mr. Callander, who went to see him on Saturday, reports that he is in a rather serious condition.

This is the third automobile accident within two weeks in which members of the Crop Estimates staff were victims. Dr. S. A. Jones, who was driving his family last week from Washington to Ohio on a vacation trip, skidded into a three-foot ditch. While he and the family were all badly bruised, their injuries were not serious.

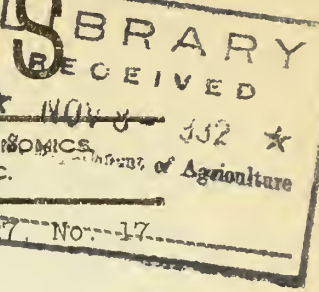
Last week we reported the accident of J. G. Diamond, statistician for Montana. Mr. Diamond is still in the hospital at Missoula and it has been necessary to detail Joseph L. Orr, of the Washington office, to Montana to handle the work there for a few weeks.

J. E. Draper, in charge of the Portland, Oregon office of the Division of Dairy and Poultry Products, recently participated as a judge of butter at the Oregon State Fair. Butter-makers from five States submitted 35 samples. This was the largest entry since the inauguration of the Fair 67 years ago.

An interesting visitor in the Bureau last week was Baroness Margrit Mantica Vesji, an Italian journalist. Baroness Vesji called on Mr. Olsen and discussed the work of the Bureau. She was particularly interested in Bureau publications on the agricultural outlook and land utilization.

It is necessary to assign new offices to some of the divisions in the new South Building, because of the changes that are being made in the four corners of that building for the purpose of connecting additional wings. The Division of Farm Population and Rural Life is moving from rooms 3892, 3893, 3894 and 3895 to rooms 2402, 2404, 2406 and 2408, which have been released by the Division of Crop and Livestock Estimates. The latter division has also released room 2451 to the Grain Division, which is losing rooms 2892 and 2893. These reassignments of space are occurring in the South and East corners of the building. Other reassignments will be made later as the changes are made at the other corners.

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SECRETARY HYDE URGES EMPLOYEES TO SUPPORT RED CROSS ROLL CALL.

In response to the plea of the American Red Cross for the support of the Department in its annual roll call, Secretary Hyde makes the following statement:

"Annual Roll Call - American Red Cross

The annual membership roll call of the American Red Cross will take place during the period of November 11 to 26. The facilities of this splendid organization are being utilized to relieve distress throughout the country on a scale never previously attempted.

To continue this work and to provide for the regular activities of disaster relief, assistance to service men and veterans, public health nursing, etc., requires the support of all our people. The employees of the Department of Agriculture have always responded generously to such appeals and I urge them to give increased support to this most urgent plea.

(Signed) Arthur M. Hyde,
Secretary."

BUREAU'S "DIRECT METHOD" OF GRADING BUTTER BEING COMPARED WITH OTHER METHODS.

The method of grading butter, proposed by Messrs. Potts and Eckles, of the Division of Dairy and Poultry Products, which they call the "direct method," will be employed by the Departments of Dairy Husbandry of Michigan State College and the University of Wisconsin in their monthly grading butter improvement projects, for the purpose of comparing it with the present educational and commercial methods. It is expected that Mr. Eckles will render assistance to the dairy departments of these institutions at a number of the monthly gradings, so that they may properly apply the proposed method and make a correct comparison of it with other methods. The results of these monthly gradings will be the basis of a report of a special committee appointed by the American Dairy Science Association to consider the proposed method and report upon it at the next annual meeting of the Association, to be held at Champaign, Ill., in June, 1933.

TRAINING COURSE FOR TOBACCO GRADERS BEING HELD THIS WEEK.

Frank B. Wilkinson, assisted by one or two of the field supervisors of the Tobacco Section, is demonstrating to tobacco buyers United States standard grades for tobacco and holding a three-day training course for tobacco graders this week, October 31 to November 4.

Grades were shown to buyers at Lynchburg on October 31 and to

buyers at Farmville on November 1. From November 2 to 4, applicants who have the necessary qualifications as to previous experience in tobacco will be instructed in the standard grades, and after suitable practice work will be examined as to their proficiency to become licensed tobacco graders. Selection of graders for the ensuing season in the Virginia fire-cured district will be made from the resulting list of eligibles.

The Tobacco Section is expecting a busy season in the grading of fire-cured types of tobacco this year, because in addition to grading tobacco for several tobacco associations, warehousemen at several markets have arranged to provide free grading service to farmers.

SEVERAL FIRMS SEEK AUTHORITY TO MARKET EGGS UNDER BUREAU'S QUALITY CERTIFICATES.

The Golden State Milk Products Company of San Francisco has requested the privilege of marketing eggs in cartons under certificates of quality issued by authority of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics and the California State Department of Agriculture. This privilege was granted and became effective October 31. All eggs sold under these certificates of quality will be subject to grading by representatives of the Division of Dairy and Poultry Products and the California State Department of Agriculture.

Gristede Brothers of New York City, who operate a chain of grocery stores, also have applied recently for the privilege of marketing eggs in cartons under certificates of quality. The privilege was granted and the company has recently begun the actual sale of eggs under these certificates. All eggs sold in this manner are subject to inspection by egg graders in the New York office of the Division of Dairy and Poultry Products.

Application has also been received from large distributors of eggs in New York City for this same privilege, and it is expected that the service will begin in the near future.

HOW "PORTER HOUSE" BECAME THE NAME OF OUR CHOICEST STEAKS.

W. E. Schneider, in charge of the San Francisco office of the Division of Livestock, Meats, and Wool, in his broadcast, entitled "The Marketing of Meat," given as a part of the Department's Western Radio Program of October 5, discussed, among other things, cuts of meat, and gave the following interesting account of how the designation of "Porter House" became the name by which our choicest steaks are known:

"Built in 1817, the Porter House, considering its size and accommodations was said to be unrivaled in the Mid-West for picturesque historical background. Charles Dickens, who visited it in 1847, is credited with giving the hotel its first flush of fame. Dickens was so pleased with a steak served him in the little dining-room, that when in Buffalo a few days later, he asked for a steak 'like they serve at the Porter House in Sandusky, Ohio.'

"The English author spread the fame of the Porter House steak throughout the country by dwelling on its deliciousness in many American addresses. Soon afterward leading cafes and hotels announced 'Porter House' steaks. It is not known whether anyone ever actually took the trouble to get the cooking formula from the Porter House chef. It is said here that chefs merely started calling their best steaks 'Porter House.'"

BUREAU NOON-HOUR RADIO
BROADCASTING PROGRAM.

The national radio program of the Department is broadcast daily, except Sundays, from 12:45 to 1:00 p.m., eastern standard time. The following members of the Bureau are on the program for the week beginning November 7:

November 8, 1:04 p.m., D. A. McCandliss, Summary of the November Crop Report.

November 11, 12-54 p.m., W. F. Callander, Joseph A. Becker, and Paul Koenig, Summary of the General Crop Report

The western radio program of the Department is broadcast daily, except Saturdays and Sundays, from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m., Pacific standard time. Field members of the Bureau are on the program for the week beginning November 7, as follows:

November 7, 12:33 p.m., Frank L. Lyons, The Grain Market Situation

November 8, 12:35 p.m., Frank H. McCampbell, The Dairy Market Situation

November 9, 12:35 p.m., W. E. Schneider, Quality Meat For Consumers

November 10, 12:33 p.m., Carl J. Hansen, On Fruit and Vegetable Markets.

INSTRUCTIONS COVERING THE
PREPARATION OF PAYROLLS.

Many of the payrolls as now submitted are not in strict accord with the payroll tables prescribed by the Comptroller General for use in preparing payrolls under the Economy Act of June 30, 1932. In order to have all payrolls prepared alike and to save the work and the time required to make minor corrections of a few cents, the Business Manager requests that the following instructions be observed in using the Supplement to Government Salary Tables Covering Complete Semimonthly Pay Periods, a copy of which has been furnished to each field office submitting payrolls:

Where employees on an annual or monthly pay basis are subject to the Civil Service Retirement and Disability deductions, the amounts to be used are:

1. For semimonthly payments with no excess furlough, the exact amounts shown.

2. For all monthly payments with no excess furlough, the exact amounts shown multiplied by two.

3. For excess furlough, the exact amount shown in the column headed, "Furlough and Compensation Deduction 8-1/3%" multiplied by the number of days to be charged during the pay period. (It will be noted that the deductions in this column are $1\frac{1}{4}$ times a day's pay, except for \$1020 and \$1030, where the deductions are $1/24$ of the excess over \$1000). The net amount paid to be changed accordingly.

After the full legislative furlough deductions are made, the tables in effect prior to July 1, 1932, will be used and any additional furlough will be leave without pay and be governed by the rules applicable to such leave.

Where employees are not subject to Civil Service Retirement deductions, the same procedure as above will be followed, except the amount of the retirement deductions will be omitted on the payroll and the net amount paid will be increased by the same amount.

The pay of per diem employees who work intermittently a few days at a time or for short periods at a rate of pay in excess of \$1000 per annum will be computed by deducting 8-1/3 per cent of the gross amount. In computing amounts to be paid under this paragraph, do not make deductions on pay of \$3.25 or less per day and do not reduce the net amount to be paid to less than \$3.25 per day.

Your particular attention is called to the fact that in the second column of the payroll, the name and grade, designation and total salary paid by the United States, must be shown. In the remarks column, in the case of cooperative employees, the amount paid by the cooperative agency must be shown. It is suggested that previous instructions be reviewed, as strict compliance therewith will expedite the handling of payrolls in Washington and insure against delay in the issuance of payroll checks.

MANUSCRIPTS SUBMITTED BY THE BUREAU DURING OCTOBER:

The following manuscripts were submitted to the Division of Publications during October:

Annual Report of Chief, 1932.

Buck, W. M.: Take Care of Your Wool. For Leaflet.

(Marvin, G. E.) and Spangler, R. L.: United States Grades, Color Standards and Packing Requirements for Honey. For Circular (jointly with Entomology).

The following articles have been approved for publication in the periodicals named:

Baker, O. E.: Little Farms in Los Angeles County and Elsewhere. For publication of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce.

Davis, W. C.: Lamb Grading and Stamping Service. For Hotel and Restaurant journals.

Edler, G. C.: Verified-origin Seed - A Good Buy. For Agricultural Leaders Digest.

Edwards, E. E.: Book review: The Geography of the Mediterranean Region: Its Relation to Ancient History, by Ellen Churchill Semple. For Journal of Farm Economics.

Edwards, E. E.: Book review: The Great Plains, by Walter Prescott Webb. For Journal of Farm Economics.

Garlock, F. L.: A Problem for Country Bankers. For American Bankers Association Journal.

Wall, N. J.: New Credit for Agriculture. For Burroughs Clearing House publications.

IN THE LIBRARY

Among the accessions to the Bureau Library for the week ending October 28, are:

Barley, Leslie John. The riddle of rationalisation; a review of the potentialities of the scientific reorganization of industry under a national plan. With a foreword by Sir Josiah Stamp. G. B. E. London, G. Allen & Unwin Ltd. [1932] 128 p. 280.171 B24

Buehler, Alfred D. General sales taxation; its history and development. New York, Business bourse, 1923. 378 p. 284.5 B86

Cheema, G. S. The marketing of fruits and vegetables in Bombay. Bombay, Printed at the Government central press, 1932. 17 p. 280.3 C41

Dietz, Max. Betriebswirtschaftliche fragen der schweineproduktion. Neudamm, J. Neumann. 1931. 79 p. Dis. - Tech. hochschule, Danzig. 281.346 D56

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Salter, Sir James Arthur. Political aspects of the world depression. Being the Burge memorial lecture for the year 1932. Oxford, Clarendon press, 1932. 21 p. 280 Sa33P

Stotz, Godfroy Julien. Questions actuelles d'agriculture et de colonisation algerienne. La main-d'oeuvre. Alger, Impr. algeroise, 1931. 101 p. 283 St 7

Swanson, William Walker. Depression and the way out. Toronto, The Ryerson press [1931] 181 p. 281.13 S w2

Vredenburg, James B. The depression; the reasons for it and the remedy... Pasadena, Calif. [1932] 11 p. 280.12 V95

Wagenführ, Horst. Deutsche auslandische und internationale kartellverträge im wortlaut, eingeleitet und erläutert... Nürnberg, Hochschulbuchhandlung Krische & co., 1931. 102 p. 286 W12

Zahra, M. A., and El-Darwish, M. A statistical study of some of the factors affecting the price of Egyptian cotton. Cairo, Government press, 1930. 17 p. ([Egypt] Ministry of finance. Cotton bureau Technical bulletin no. 1) 281.3729 Eg9 no. 1..

REPORTS AND OTHER RECENT RELEASES OF THE BUREAU.LEAFLET (NO. 68):

ROADSIDE MARKETS, by Caroline B. Sherman, has been revised slightly and the new supply is now available under the same leaflet number. The revision deals chiefly with the progress that has been made in voluntary regulation of these markets.

PRESS RELEASES:

Perishables Hearings Scheduled in East (Oct. 21).

The Week's Cotton Trade (Oct. 22).

Farm Tax Increases in Pacific States (Oct. 22).

Report on Grade and Staple of Cotton Carried Over August 1, 1932 (Oct. 25).

Find Facts on Fibers for Cotton Standards (Oct. 27).

Tobacco Grades To Be Demonstrated (Oct. 28).

Farm Taxes Highest in 1929 in West South Central States (Oct. 28).

Less Contract Feeding of Livestock (Nov. 1)

SEPARATES FROM YEARBOOK 1932:

(Compiled under the direction of the Statistical Committee:

Joseph A. Becker, Chairman, Lewis B. Flohr, Secretary,

S. W. Mendum, L. M. Davis, E. J. Working, and B. C. Boree).

NO. 1249, STATISTICS OF GRAINS, by Elna Anderson, E. J. Working, S. R. Newell, Carlos Campbell, Anna M. Kirby, Charlotte M. Ward, Ruth Griffith, Vivian M. Behenna, June A. Hodgkins, Florence C. Fitch, John L. Wilson, Gertrude K. Caseley, Anna Sullivan, H. Hawxhurst, and T. A. Sommers, this Bureau; and Annie M. V. Repetti, of the Grain Futures Administration. (Oct. 14).

NO. 1250, STATISTICS OF COTTON, SUGAR, AND TOBACCO, by J. A. Hicks, V. C. Childs, S. R. Newell, Ruth Griffith, Charlotte M. Ward, C. G. Carpenter, Charles E. Gage, Elna Anderson, Vivian M. Behenna, Susie J. Frazier, Ingeborg Gronvold, Florence C. Fitch, H. Hawxhurst, and Claudia Thomson, this Bureau. (Oct. 18).

NO. 1252, STATISTICS OF MISCELLANEOUS CROPS, by Vivian M. Behenna, S. A. Jones, S. R. Newell, Charlotte M. Ward, Ruth Griffith, Elna Anderson, Ingeborg Gronvold, Gertrude K. Caseley, C. G. Carpenter, Florence C. Fitch, F. J. Hosking, and Harold F. Clay, this Bureau. (Oct. 15).

NO. 1253, STATISTICS OF CATTLE, HOGS, SHEEP, HORSES, MULES AND ASSES, by C. L. Harlan, A. C. Brittain, S. R. Newell, Ruth Griffith, Charlotte M. Ward, Jessie Wrigglesworth, Florence C. Fitch, Vivian M. Behenna, H. Hawxhurst, Esther H. Johnson, William Broxton, Edna M. Jordan, and Hilda D. Lantz, this Bureau; and D. S. Burch, and A. E. Harris, Bureau of Animal Industry. (Oct. 12).

NO. 1255, FOREIGN TRADE OF THE UNITED STATES IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, by Vivian M. Behenna and Fanny M. Palmer, this Bureau. (Oct. 15).

SEPARATES FROM YEARBOOK 1932 - Continued:

NO. 1256, MISCELLANEOUS AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS, by R. H. Elsworth, Federal Farm Board, Florence C. Fitch, Elna Anderson, Susie J. Frazier, this Bureau; H. S. Fairbanks, Bureau of Public Roads; O. L. Fassig, Weather Bureau; Robert Reynolds, Forest Service; A. R. Merz, Chemistry and Soils, and M. C. Wilson, Extension Service. (Oct. 15).

NO. 1257, FARM BUSINESS AND RELATED STATISTICS, by L. H. Bean, Viola Culbertson, Elna Anderson, C. M. Purves, S. R. Newell, S. W. Mendum, Anna M. Kirby, Charlotte M. Ward, Ruth Griffith, David L. Wickens, Catharine A. Scanlin, Mary B. Thompson, M. R. Cooper, Eric Englund, B. W. Allin, B. R. Stauber, Nettie C. Bradshaw, H. A. Turner, and C. J. Galpin, this Bureau. (Oct. 17).

BUREAU BREVITIES.

THE BUREAU OF AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS, collaborated in the preparation of the "Atlas of the Historical Geography of the United States," recently published by the Carnegie Institution of Washington and the American Geographical Society. The Atlas contains many maps supplied by this Bureau, principally by the Division of Statistical and Historical Research and the Division of Land Economics. It embodies the results of 20 years of original research by outstanding specialists in American history and geography--among others, Dr. J. F. Jameson (who originated the first plan for the work), Dr. Charles O. Paullin, the late Prof. F. J. Turner, Prof. Max Farrand, M. W. Jernegan, J. A. Robertson, R. H. Whitbeck, R. De C. Ward, Dr. Isaiah Bowman, and Dr. Baker and Dr. Stine of this Bureau.

THE OLD ALEXANDRIA-GEORGETOWN CANAL AND POTOMAC AQUEDUCT, an article by Arthur G. Peterson, of the Division of Statistical and Historical Research, occupies first place in the October number of THE VIRGINIA MAGAZINE OF HISTORY AND BIOGRAPHY, published quarterly by the Virginia Historical Society. A copy is on file in the Bureau Library.

HERE AND THERE.

The following Bureau members will participate in the Southern Agricultural Outlook Conference, to be held at Atlanta, Ga., November 8 to 11; Mr. Englund; Mr. Marquis; L. H. Bean; N. J. Wall; Lawrence Myers; W. G. Finn; C. L. Holmes; C. A. Burmeister.

Dr. O. C. Stine, Division of Statistical and Historical Research, will attend the annual meeting of the New England Research Council on Marketing and Food Supply, to be held in Boston November 9 and 10, and contribute to the program a talk on local and regional economic research. As a part of this trip he will visit New York City and obtain information on research and marketing activities in connection with the work of his division, and Ithaca to consult with members of the faculty of Cornell regarding price statistics and research work in progress.

As a member of seven subcommittees of the Textile Section of the American Society for Testing Material, Dr. R. W. Webb, of the Division of Cotton Marketing, attended a meeting of the Society's Committee D-13 at Akron, Ohio, October 27 and 28. He reports that great enthusiasm was expressed by the cotton and rubber manufacturers at the meeting for the cotton fiber, ginning, and spinning studies of the Bureau and a desire for further work of this kind. Dr. Webb also visited leading tire manufacturers in Akron and discussed cotton quality problems of mutual interest.

Field statisticians who will serve on the Crop Reporting Board this month are:

For the cotton report, November 9: Frank Parker, North Carolina; D. A. McCandliss, Mississippi; L. L. Janes, Louisiana.

For the general crop report, November 10: A. J. Surratt, Illinois; E. L. Gasteiger, Pennsylvania; R. C. Ross, Delaware and Maryland.

H. B. Kramer, marketing specialist in the Tobacco Section, returned to Washington October 31 from seven weeks in the Quincy, Florida, area, where he graded 5062 bales, approximately 835,000 pounds, of shade-grown tobacco. The tobacco was of the 1931 crop and the grading was incidental to financing operations.

J. E. Barr, Division of Hay, Feed, and Seed, will confer with shippers and exporters regarding soybean-inspection problems in New Orleans, La., and Mobile, Ala., and supervise the work of bean and soybean inspectors at Atlanta, Ga., on a trip from November 5 to 15.

J. O. Cox and H. E. Earp, Grain Division, are studying the carrying qualities of corn from Atlantic Coast ports to those on the Pacific Coast. Several million bushels of corn have moved to the West Coast this season. This heavy movement is due to the low price of this product and takes the place of the usual large shipments from Argentina.

Wm. Cate, Division of Dairy and Poultry Products, was recently transferred from Harrisonburg, Va., where he has served during the last year as Federal-State supervising egg grader, to a similar position at Bellefontaine, Ohio, which is the concentration point of eggs handled by four creameries operated by the Farmers' Equity Cooperative Union.

Mrs. Wanda K. Faulwetter, of the Division of Cotton Marketing, who has her headquarters at the Boyce-Thompson Institute for Plant Research at Yonkers, N. Y., making use of the very complete laboratory equipment there in her work, will go to Urbana, Ill., November 6, to spend two weeks at the University of Illinois, where she will have the use of their special X-ray and other equipment in connection with the studies which she is making on the micro- and ultra-micro-structure and constitution of cotton fibers. The University is cooperating generously in these studies, not only with their equipment but in the assignment of personnel.

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SOUTHERN OUTLOOK CONFERENCE OPENS WITH RECORD ATTENDANCE.

The Southern Agricultural Outlook Conference opened Tuesday, November 8, with an attendance of about 300, according to a wire received from W. H. Youngman, of the Division of Economic Information, who attended the conference in place of Mr. Marquis who had planned to go. This attendance is the largest of the three years in which this conference has been held.

The Bureau's reports on demand and credit were discussed by the conference on Tuesday morning, November 8, and immediately released. The reports are being released both at Atlanta and at Washington as soon as they have been considered by the conference.

The Bureau's report was mimeographed in advance and distributed to delegates to the conference so as to expedite consideration. It will be mimeographed next week and copies sent to the outlook workers in the southern States. The southern report will not be printed this year, owing to the limitation on printing funds.

A large number of the new cloth outlook charts were prepared for use at the meeting. Three special reports, as follows, were rushed through to completion to have them available for the conferees:

Cotton Statistics and Related Data for Agricultural Workers;
Farm Prices of Cotton in Relation to Its Grade and Staple
Length in Local Markets in the United States, Seasons
1928-29, 1929-30, 1930-31;

Use of Outlook Information in Farm-Business Planning in the
Cotton Belt.

(For additional information concerning these reports see "Reports and Other Recent Releases of the Bureau").

HAY-FEED-SEED TO DEMONSTRATE HAY GRADES FOR, AND TO HOLD CONFERENCE WITH AGRICULTURISTS.

A demonstration of hay grading and a conference on hay standards and marketing has been arranged by the Hay, Feed, and Seed Division for Wednesday and Saturday, November 16 and 19, respectively, in conjunction with the annual meeting of the American Society of Agronomy, which is to be held in Washington, November 17 and 18. The topical outline for this day's session on hay grading and marketing appears in the published program of the Society. It includes in the morning session a demonstration of grading of bales of alfalfa, clover and timothy hay in the hay laboratory of the Bureau, in which the conferees will participate, to be followed by a discussion of class and grade requirements of United States standards and factors causing low and high grade hay. The afternoon session will be devoted largely to a presentation and discussion of educational and research problems

relating to hay production and marketing, among which are the relation of production and curing methods to grade quality, the desirability of an expansion of legume acreage and the importance of standards in research and educational work pertaining to hay production and feeding.

All members of the American Society of Agronomy in attendance at its meeting, those attending the Convention of Land-Grant Colleges and Universities, and others interested in the subjects to be discussed are invited to come to the Bureau conference. It is requested that those who plan to do so notify W. A. Wheeler, of the Hay, Feed, and Seed Division, in advance as to the date they expect to attend, so that adequate preparation may be made for them at the hay laboratory.

BUREAU MEMBERS TO ADDRESS LAND-GRANT MEETING.

The Forty-Sixth Annual Convention of the Association of Land-Grant Colleges and Universities will meet at the Willard Hotel, Washington, D. C., November 14-16. Three members of this Bureau are on the program for the following addresses:

Mr. Englund, 9 a. m., Monday, November 14, "The Place of Economics in Our Agricultural Curricula."

Dr. L. C. Gray, 2 p.m., Tuesday, November 15, "Land Utilization and Its Relation to Extension Work."

Mr. Olsen, 9 a. m., Wednesday, November 16, "The World Depression and Its Bearing on Teaching, Research and Extension."

IMPROVED SOUTHERN POTATO PRICES CREDITED TO INTERSTATE EARLY POTATO COMMITTEE WORK.

That the Interstate Early Potato Committee is doing effective work was brought out at the annual meeting of that committee last month in Washington, D. C. A. E. Mercker, secretary, in reporting his activities for the last year, added:

"From Norfolk, Virginia, south the marketing program was generally very successful, probably more successful this season than during any past season, some of the committee members believing that their producing section received a greater price for their product through these coordinating efforts than they would have received had they acted independently. On the Eastern Shore of Virginia and Maryland greater cooperation was received in coordinating the marketing activities than was received in the past, but because of the springing up of a great many new, inexperienced small marketing agencies and growers selling their own products, it was felt that the marketing problems in that particular territory are becoming more difficult."

Dr. O. C. Stine pointed to the fact that the decrease in early potato acreage started after 1928 — the year in which the Interstate Early Potato Committee began to function. John R. Hutcheson, director of the Agricultural Extension Division of Virginia A. & M. College and chairman of the potato committee, expressed his appreciation of Mr. Mercker's work with the committee in getting farmers to use outlook information.

COMPTROLLER REVERSES DECISIONS COVERING MILEAGE FOR USE OF PERSONALLY-OWNED AUTOMOBILES.

The Business Office calls attention to a decision of the Comptroller General of October 25, 1932, A-44782, reversing his previous decisions where-

in he held that mileage for the use of personally-owned automobiles could not be allowed for trips made between the hours of 8 a. m. and 6 p.m., of the same day. In this decision the Comptroller gave further consideration to his former interpretations of the Act of February 14, 1931, which permits mileage for the use of a traveler's own automobile (See page 75 of the Government Travel Regulations), and he now holds that the intent of the law is to permit payment of mileage for the number of miles traveled outside the limits of the traveler's post of duty, regardless of the element of time. Of course, the mileage must be incurred in conformity with the provisions of the Act and the regulations issued pursuant thereto and travelers are reminded that to entitle one to mileage the use of the automobile must not only be previously authorized at a fixed rate, but so authorized because such transportation is more economical and advantageous to the United States and effects a clear savings to the United States in transportation cost.

From this it appears that mileage previously deducted because of the element of time may now be reclaimed for the number of miles shown to have been traveled outside of the limits of the traveler's post of duty. To avoid complications, reclaims should be made in supplemental accounts. The original preaudit difference statement should be submitted with the supplemental accounts.

Incidentally, the Comptroller still holds that subsistence cannot be allowed for trips wholly within the hours of 8 a.m. and 6 p.m., of the same day.

USE SINGLE ENVELOPE FOR FIELD MAIL ADDRESSED DIVISION IN WASHINGTON.

The Business Manager calls attention to the very satisfactory practice in some field offices of each day assembling and placing in one envelope all mail intended for the division to which the office belongs. In the interest of economy he requests that the practice be adopted by all offices in the field in lieu of the one that is being followed by so many of addressing a separate envelope for each letter going to Washington headquarters. Due consideration should be given to train schedules so as not to delay the mailing of material. Communications intended for several persons in a division, if enclosed in one envelope and addressed to the division leader, receive just as prompt attention upon arrival in Washington as if mailed under individual cover, as they are promptly and properly distributed.

The cooperation of all employees in effecting every possible economy in the operating routine is urgently requested.

BUREAU NOON-HOUR RADIO BROADCASTING PROGRAM.

The Bureau will have no part in the national radio program of the Department for the week of November 14.

The western radio program, broadcast daily except Saturdays and Sundays, from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m., Pacific standard time, include the following Bureau field members for the week of November 14:

November 14, 12:32 p.m., Frank L. Lyons, The Grain Market Situation

November 15, 12:35 p.m., Frank H. McCampbell, The Poultry and Egg Market Situation

November 16, 12:36 p.m., W. E. Schneider, Observations on the Junior Livestock Show

November 18, 12:34 p.m., C. J. Hansen, On Fruit and Vegetable Markets

RETRANSFER OF PROPERTY IN FEDERAL BUILDINGS.

Reference is made to two previous items appearing in The B. A. E. News (August 31, 1932, and October 5, 1932), regarding accountability for Bureau property moved into Federal Buildings. Earlier regulations required that all property designated by the Treasury Department as "furniture," be transferred to the custodian when a Departmental activity occupied quarters in a Federal Building and the articles would then be dropped from the Departmental inventory records. In view of the new policy, outlined in The B. A. E. News of October 5, 1932, which states that "actual title to the property will be retained by this Department," etc., no transfer of accountability for the articles taken into Federal buildings will be made. In cases where Bureau inventories have already been transferred to the building custodian, a retransfer should be accomplished, bringing back on the Bureau records all property originally a part of the Bureau's equipment or which has later been furnished by the Bureau. This should be done at once so that the 1932 inventory reports for field offices will be complete. Articles by the Treasury Department should not be taken up on Bureau inventories.

REPORTS AND OTHER RECENT RELEASES OF THE BUREAU.

BULLETIN:

TECHNICAL, NO. 322: AGRICULTURAL CREDIT CORPORATIONS affiliated with cotton cooperative marketing associations form the theme of this bulletin by William H. Rowe. Phases considered include: Characteristics of organization; types of loans; operating practices; loan requirements and experiences; rediscount relations; costs of loans to borrowers; income, costs, and profits; and special problems. An appraisal of these associations as a source of credit for farmers precedes the formulated conclusions. Footnote credit includes mention of Fred L. Garlock, Mrs. Martha Marceron Adams, and Mrs. Pauline Luxford. The study was planned and initiated in cooperation with the Division of Cooperative Marketing before that division was transferred to the Federal Farm Board. (Nov. 1).

INDEX NUMBERS:

INDEX NUMBERS OF PRICES PAID by Farmers for Commodities Bought for Family Maintenance and for Commodities Bought To Be Used in Production. Mimeographed release. (Oct. 28).

PRESS RELEASES:

Farm Price Index Declines. (Oct. 31).
Farm Population Shows Continued Growth. (Nov. 1).
Labels on Canned Vegetables to Show Quality of Products. (Nov. 1).
Agricultural Outlook Meeting at Atlanta, Nov. 8 to 11. (Nov. 2).
Consumers to Decide Course of Wool Market. (Nov. 2).

REPORTS

FARM REAL ESTATE TAXES, 1913-1930, Pacific States, a preliminary mimeographed report by Bushrod W. Allin and Donald Jackson, agricultural economists, and Miss Janet L. Weston, assistant agricultural economist, Division of Agricultural Finance. This report presents estimates of farm real estate taxes per

REPORTS AND OTHER RECENT RELEASES OF THE BUREAU. - Contd.

acre for the Pacific States, yearly from 1913 to 1930. Corresponding estimates for the North Central and New England States have recently been released. Estimates for other States will be released as they become available.

FACTORS AFFECTING EXPORTS OF UNITED STATES HOG PRODUCTS, a 51-page mimeographed report by G. B. Thorne, agricultural economist, and Preston Richards, associate agricultural economist. In its preparation the authors drew upon numerous publications for the historical and descriptive material presented. They also have made use of information contained in numerous unpublished reports on the European hog and pork situation prepared by O. L. Dawson, L. V. Steere, D. F. Christy, H. E. Reed, and J. L. Stewart, of the Foreign Agricultural Service Division.

THE FINAL 1931 REPORT Covering Production of Manufactured Dairy Products will be issued by the Division of Dairy and Poultry Products this week. The usual reports on the current turkey market will also be started this week by the division.

COTTON STATISTICS AND RELATED DATA for Agricultural Workers, by Lawrence Myers and Maurice R. Cooper, Division of Statistical and Historical Research. This handbook contains 108 pages of tables of cotton statistics and was reproduced entirely by rotoprint. It carries the various series of statistics back to early dates and is arranged to allow for the addition of later statistics, making it a more permanent manual for workers in this field. Such a comprehensive compilation of data on this subject has not heretofore been available.

FARM PRICES OF COTTON in Relation to Its Grade and Staple Length in Local Markets in the United States, Seasons 1928-29, 1929-30, and 1930-31, by L. D. Howell and John S. Burgess, Jr., Division of Cotton Marketing. This mimeographed report, showing the data collected in 1928-29, 1929-30, and 1930-31 in all States combined, is an attempt to present a summary of the results of the analysis of these data from a national point of view. It contains a little more than 70 pages.

USE OF OUTLOOK INFORMATION in Farm-Business Planning in the Cotton Belt, by B. H. Thibodeaux and Oris V. Wells, Division of Farm Management and Costs. This is a detailed analysis of the effect of outlook work in the southern States. It covers 47 pages.

STANDARDS:

U. S. STANDARDS FOR UNSHELLED PECANS (Improved varieties and large seedlings. Not shelling stock). (Oct. 24).

STANDARD GRADES FOR FIRE-CURED TOBACCO (U. S. Types 21, 22, 23 and 24). (Oct., 1932).

SUMMARIES:

Marketing Northwestern Apples, Summary of 1931-32 Season, by L. B. Gerry and J. D. Hamilton.

Marketing Florida Citrus, Summary of 1931-32 Season (Florida State Marketing Bureau Cooperating), by H. F. Willson.

IN THE LIBRARY:

Among the accessions to the Bureau Library for the week ending November 4 are:

- Acerbo, Giacomo. Le riforme agrarie del dopoguerra in Europe. Firenze, R. Bemporad & figlio [1931] 282 Ac3
- Bologna. R. Istituto superiore agrario. Cattedra di economia agraria. Osservatorio di economia agraria. Annali, v. 2. Piacenza, 1932. 462 p. 281.9 B63
- Clapham, John Harold. An economic history of modern Britain [v.2] Free trade and steel, 1850-1886... Cambridge, The University press, 1932. 554 p. 277.171 C33 v. 2
- Failing, B. E. Collective spending adds wealth to the nation. 2d ed. Fulton, N. Y., 1932. 44 p. 284 F14 Ed.2
- Gt. Brit. Inter-departmental committee on agricultural tied cottages. Report of the Inter-departmental committee on agricultural tied cottages... London, H. M. Stationery off., 1932. 33 p. ([Parliament. Papers by command] Cmd. 4148) 283 G7932
- Imperial economic conference, Ottawa, 1932. Appendices to the summary of proceedings (in continuation of Cmd. 4174)... London, H. M. Stationery off., 1932. 205 p. ([Gt. Brit. Parliament. Papers by command] Cmd. 4175) 280.9 Im72
- Lawton, Lancelot. An economic history of soviet Russia... London, Macmillan and co., limited [1932] 2 v. 277.179 L44
- National industrial conference board. Sales taxes: general, selective, and retail. New York, National industrial conference board inc., 1932. 79 p. (Studies of taxation and public finance) 284.5 N212S
- Norton, Lawrence Joseph, and Scranton, L. L. The marketing of farm products; principles and problems for students of vocational agriculture. 1st rev. ed. [Danville, Ill., Interstate printing company] 1932. 384 p. 280.3 N823
- Perera, Wilmot A. Problems of rural Ceylon... [Colombo] Associated newspapers of Ceylon, limited [1932] 34 p. 281.182 P41
- Sorrell, Vernon G., comp. State and local taxation with special reference to New Mexico problems. Albuquerque, N. M., 1932. 47 p. (University of New Mexico bulletin. Economic series. v. 2, no.1, Whole no. 209) 284.5 So6
- Wang, S. H. Wages and labour mobility in a flour mill in Tientsin... Translated by T. H. Chen. Peiping, China, 1932. 30 p. (Institute of social research, Peiping. Bulletin no. 6) 283 W18

HERE AND THERE.

Mr. Olsen is taking part in several programs in Atlanta, Ga., this week. On Monday evening he spoke at a dinner of the Atlanta Chamber of Commerce. He also attended the meeting of the Regents of the University of Georgia which considered on Monday and Tuesday the land utilization study in Georgia in which this Bureau is cooperating. Mr. Olsen also is participating in the Southern Agricultural Outlook Conference, in session November 8-11.

Dr. L. C. Gray, in charge of the Division of Land Economics, conferred with the Regents of the University System of Georgia in regard to the land utilization study in which this Bureau is cooperating, at a meeting in Atlanta on Monday and Tuesday, November 7 and 8. Dr. W. A. Hartman, of the division, who is supervising this study, also was in attendance.

F. A. Motz, fruit specialist of the Foreign Agricultural Service Division, with headquarters at London, has been authorized to make a trip to the Port of Gdynia, for the purpose of investigating the market possibilities for American apples and other fruit. It is expected that Mr. Motz will make this survey in the present month as an extension of his annual survey of Continental European fruit markets.

L. M. Davis, Division of Dairy and Poultry Products, will attend a meeting of Ice Cream Manufacturers of Pennsylvania and New Jersey at Philadelphia, November 16, and give a talk on "The Present Dairy Market Situation."

C. L. Luedtke, assistant agricultural commissioner at Buenos Aires, Argentina, has recently undergone a major operation, according to a cable received by the Foreign Agricultural Service Division from Glenn S. Ray, agricultural commissioner at that post. Mr. Ray reports that Mr. Luedtke is progressing satisfactorily at present.

H. S. Yohe, in charge of the Warehouse Division, had an automobile accident last Sunday that will probably keep him at home for several weeks. Mr. Yohe was on his way to call for Mrs. Yohe and his daughter, Ruth, who had gone to church, when his car skidded and collided with another car not far from his home in Chevy Chase. He received several broken ribs, cuts, and bruises.

Dr. Emil Rauchenstein, Division of Farm Management and Costs, is spending November 9 and 10 in attendance at a meeting in Boston of the New England Research Council. Following that meeting Dr. Rauchenstein will visit Durham, N. H., to assist State agricultural workers in preparing a manuscript entitled "Efficiency in Dairy Planning," containing the results of a study in which this Bureau cooperated. On his return trip he will stop in New Jersey to confer with representatives of the State College of Agriculture with regard to the completion of a manuscript on the results of a cooperative farm management study conducted in that State.

Members of the Bureau have been glad to greet H. R. Tolley, director of the Giannini Foundation, who is in Washington in connection with the meeting of the Association of Land-Grant Colleges and Universities.

The following Bureau employees have been named to receive voluntary subscriptions in the annual roll call of the American Red Cross:

Mrs. Betty P. Ashton, Room 3054, South Building
Mrs. Mabel R. Peirce, Room 2431, South Building
Miss Virginia Bell, Room 311, 300 Linworth Place, S. W.
Edward Guipée, 215 Eighth St., S. W.
Miss Annie H. Alves, Room 3-334, C Building
Mrs. Alice C. McQuinn, Room 5-208, F Building

J. A. Burgess, of the Washington office of the Division of Livestock, Meats, and Wool, is relieving Earl Higgins, meat market reporter and grader of the Boston office. Mr. Higgins has been advised by his physician to take a month or six weeks of rest. Before returning to Washington Mr. Burgess will visit the meat market reporting and grading offices of the division in New York City and Philadelphia.

R. D. Conklin, of the Division of Livestock, Meats, and Wool, is at home recovering from an automobile accident which occurred when he had his wife and baby and Mrs. Conklin's sister, Mrs. Isabelle Brinks, a former member of the Division of Crop and Livestock Estimates, and sons out riding last Saturday. Mr. Conklin's worst injury was a badly lacerated leg, requiring six stitches; Mrs. Conklin received internal injuries; their baby, fortunately, escaped injury. Mrs. Brinks received cuts on her head which had to be sewed; her two sons, aged 10 and 5, were more seriously hurt than the others in the group and are still in the hospital.

F. H. McCampbell, in charge of the San Francisco office of the Division of Dairy and Poultry Products, will address two meetings to be held in Oakland, Calif., during the Pacific Slope Dairy Exposition. On November 14, he will discuss the division's new "Direct Method" of grading butter before the California Creamery Operators' Convention; on November 15, he will discuss the dairy market situation and market requirements for cheese before the meeting of the California Cheese Manufacturers' Association.

In the annual acreage survey of the Division of Crop and Livestock Estimates, the following statisticians will leave Washington within the next week for the States indicated:

Joseph A. Becker, Kentucky, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas.
Chas. G. Carpenter, Maryland and West Virginia.
V. C. Childs, Florida, Alabama, Georgia, South Carolina and North Carolina.
S. A. Jones, Wisconsin, North Dakota, Minnesota and South Dakota.
Paul L. Koenig, Illinois, Missouri, Kansas, Colorado and Wyoming.
S. R. Newell, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and Michigan.
Reginald Royston, New Jersey.
John B. Shepard, Nebraska, Iowa, New York and Massachusetts.

D. A. McCandliss, statistician for Mississippi, will leave his station at Gulfport November 20 to conduct this survey in Louisiana and Tennessee. These men will all be back at their headquarters by December 1.

The Foreign Agricultural Service Division recently has been receiving a large number of reports from its foreign offices, containing information on the restrictions on international trade in major agricultural products and the measures now being undertaken in the several countries to protect the economic position of their farm products. This information will be used in the preparation of the report called for by Senate Resolution 280, which report will be presented to the Senate at the next session of Congress.

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DATE SET FOR RELEASE OF THE 1933 OUTLOOK REPORT.

The 1933 Agricultural Outlook Report will be released on January 30. Final preparation of this report will be made at a joint conference of State men and the Bureau staff from January 23-27, inclusive. Judging by the interest evidenced at the regional outlook meetings during the last summer, the next annual outlook conference bids fair to be one of the most important ever held.

In view of the general state of agriculture, farmers are realizing the need for intelligent planning of their programs and are making increased demands upon State workers for agricultural outlook material. During the recent Southern Conference two farmers, one a woman, came to the meeting to ask for personal guidance in the operation of their farms.

BENEFICIAL RESULTS OF REGIONAL COOPERATION IN RESEARCH IN NEW ENGLAND.

Dr. O. C. Stine, in charge of the Division of Statistical and Historical Research, brings back the report that very good discussions of some of the problems to be studied, methods of research, and results obtained were developed at the annual meeting of the New England Research Council in Boston, November 9 and 10. He has emphasized to Mr. Olsen his belief and confidence in the beneficial results of regional cooperation in research. Continuing his report to the Chief, Dr. Stine says:

"The New England Research Council provides a medium for coordinating the research work of the New England States. The several States have able research workers, but as a rule the research work of a State is not sufficient to deal with all the problems. and the problems are not confined within the boundaries of any one State. Coordination not only makes possible a division of labor and a more effective attack upon the agricultural problems of a region. but it also stimulates each man in dealing with his own particular problem, and the results of the work of others contribute to the solution of his problem. Much has already been done in coordinating the work of the New England States, but, even so, much remains to be done. The planning of new work, as well as the continuing of projects under way. needs to be more carefully and definitely considered by representatives of the several research agencies dealing with the problems of New England."

PRESS LIBERAL IN FEATURING
SOUTHERN OUTLOOK CONFERENCE.

In spite of the election news and other news pertaining to the South, the three local newspapers, as well as the Associated Press and United Press, gave liberal space to the Southern Agricultural Outlook Conference which was held at Atlanta, Ga., November 8-11, inclusive. These papers carried pictures of the conference leaders, including Mr. Olsen and Mr. Englund.

The meeting began with 300 in attendance, but increased to more than 325 as the week went on. Of this number, 67 came from States other than Georgia.

In addition to the luncheon and dinner given by the delegates, a dinner was tendered by a large private business house to those attending the conference. Dr. C. L. Holmes, in charge of the Division of Farm Management and Costs, postponed for this latter dinner the speech on "Regional Adjustments in Farming in the South," which he was scheduled to make at the conference on Thursday afternoon, November 10.

Bureau representatives at the conference report it as a decided success.

MESSRS. COX AND EARP DEVELOP GRAIN
THERMOMETER WITH HELP OF SHOPS.

A deep-bin thermometer for testing grain has been developed by J. H. Cox and Harold E. Earp, of the Grain Division, in cooperation with the Department Shops. Many inquiries have been received from commercial firms concerning the construction of this thermometer. It consists of a Fahrenheit thermometer which is placed in tubing with a closed end filled with mercury. The mercury in the tip surrounds the mercury bulb of the thermometer. The temperature of the grain is carried through the metal tip and the mercury surrounding the Fahrenheit thermometer, in this manner registering on the protected thermometer in the tubing. The thermometer is attached to ordinary water pipes and pushed to any desired depth up to 30 or 35 feet in the bin of grain.

Most of the new grain elevators have the Zeleney system, which by electrical resistance determines the temperature of the grain at various depths throughout the bin. Many of the older elevators, however, do not have this system and their needs can now be met by Messrs. Cox and Earp's thermometer.

A number of these thermometers were made for the Grain Stabilization Corporation last year and have given good service.

BUREAU LIBRARY
SEEKS THIS BOOK.

The following book belonging to the library cannot be found. Will anyone having information in regard to it please report to the loan desk, A. E. Library?

U. S. Congress. Senate. Committee on Finance.

Wholesale prices, vol. 3. 1893. (Aldrich report).

COASTWISE SHIPMENTS OF GRAIN, MEETING
BUREAU QUALITY GRADES, GIVE SATISFACTION.

Receivers have been very well pleased with the quality of grain supervised and graded by Bureau representatives, which has comprised the large shipments that have been made for approximately the last year from the Gulf Coast and the Atlantic Sea Board to the Pacific Coast. The New Orleans office of the Grain Division reports that 4,086,078 bushels of corn and 60,907 bushels of oats have been shipped from that port to the Pacific Coast since early in December, 1931. All these deliveries have been well within the contract grade requirements.

Shipments out of New Orleans have been booked through January, next, indicating that the all-water movement of grain in place of the rail movement, has probably come to stay.

USE OF TRANSPORTATION REQUESTS
FOR SECURING ROUND-TRIP TICKETS.

The Department is in receipt of circular instructions from the Comptroller General, dated July 16, 1932, A-4545, A-14235, wherein he enjoins travelers to obtain the lowest available transportation rates for official travel. After quoting instructions issued by one of the carriers for the guidance of its agents in honoring Government transportation requests and also Paragraph 16 of the Standardized Government Travel Regulations, the Comptroller states in part:

"It is incumbent upon an officer issuing requests covering round-trip transportation, or upon the traveler authorized to issue such requests for his own use, whether for transportation or Pullman accommodations, to make inquiry relative to the availability of transportation of other than twice the one-way rate, such as excursion or other reduced round-trip fares, applicable between the points under consideration, and the limit of which will provide sufficient time for the performance of the duties of the traveler. Where such reduced round-trip fare tickets are available, they should be requested and in case the return portion is not used the redemptive value thereof can be secured from the transportation or Pullman company. In such event the unused portion of tickets should be promptly forwarded to the administrative office concerned through the official who furnished the request, as required by paragraph 32, Standardized Government Travel Regulations, approved by the President April 21, 1931."

The Business Manager calls attention to the fact that strict compliance with the regulations and the above instructions is imperative, as otherwise the excess cost of the transportation will be charged to the traveler. A statement that the traveler had no knowledge of a special rate will not be accepted by the General Accounting Office as an adequate excuse. In obtaining transportation care should be taken to obtain the particular class of round-trip ticket best adapted to the needs of the proposed travel.

BUREAU SHOWS UP WELL IN SUMMARY
OF WESTERN RADIO BROADCASTS.

The Bureau made a large percentage of the broadcasts on the Department's western radio programs during the period January 1, 1932, to July 1, 1932, a recent summary of these broadcasts, prepared by R. H. Lamb, western radio program director, discloses. The Bureau made 103 broadcasts during that period, following the Weather Bureau, which made 126. The next largest number was made by the Forest Service, with 25 broadcasts. Other branches of the Department contributed a varying smaller number to the total broadcasts, amounting to 324.

The Office of Information of the Department led with 107 in the number of speakers furnished on the programs, the Bureau following with 105. The total number of speakers for the Department was 282.

Of the total number of minutes on the air, the Bureau led the Department with 627, the next largest periods being used by the Food and Drug Administration with 318 and the Weather Bureau with 208 minutes. The total for the Department was 1577.

The divisions of the Bureau contributing to these western broadcasts during these six months were:

Foreign Agricultural Service; Crop and Livestock Estimates; Dairy and Poultry Products; Fruit and Vegetable; Grain; Hay, Feed, and Seed; and Livestock, Meats, and Wool.

BUREAU NOON-HOUR RADIO
BROADCASTING PROGRAM.

The national radio program of the Department is broadcast daily except Sundays, from 12:45 to 1:00 p.m., eastern standard time. The following members of the Bureau are on the program for the week beginning November 21:

November 21, 12:45 p.m., C. A. Burmeister, November Hog Markets
1:00 p.m., W. F. Callander, The Trend of Poultry
Production

1:05 p.m., R. K. Smith, The Trend of Dairy Production

November 22, 1:15 p.m., C. V. Whalin, November Cattle Markets

November 23, 12:42 p.m., C. L. Harlan, November Sheep Markets

12:48 p.m., F. J. Hosking, Feed Markets Situation

The western radio program of the Department is broadcast daily, except Saturdays and Sundays, from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m., Pacific standard time. Field members of the Bureau are on the program for the week beginning November 21, as follows:

November 21, 12:34 p.m., Frank L. Lyons, The Grain Market Situation

November 22, 12:35 p.m., Frank H. McCampbell, Recent Results in
Dairy Management Research (prepared by T. E.
Woodward, Bureau of Dairy Industry)

November 23, 12:35 p.m., W. E. Schneider, Summary of Grass Cattle
Season

November 25, 12:34 p.m., Carl J. Hansen, On Fruit and Vegetable
Markets

REVISION OF BUREAU MAILING LISTS.

A check of all mailing lists by divisions is being made by the Division of Economic Information. In order to comply with the spirit of the new policy regarding distribution of publications, namely, to reduce waste to the minimum to save paper, a check of all revisions is being requested. Such revisions as must be made before January 1, should be completed within three weeks, so as not to add to the Christmas mail congestion.

REPORTS AND OTHER RECENT RELEASES OF THE BUREAU.FARMERS BULLETIN:

DRESSING AND PACKING TURKEYS FOR MARKET is the timely title of Farmers Bulletin 1694, by Thomas W. Heitz, now being distributed. The detailed instructions are fully illustrated in the effort to make this a thoroughly practical and useful publication.

HANDBOOK:

HANDBOOK OF OFFICIAL HAY STANDARDS, Including Straw Standards, Revised effective January 2, 1933. This is the first completely revised edition of these standards that has been prepared for publication since 1928. In addition to those classes of hay heretofore promulgated as official standards, the new handbook includes standards for Soybean and Soybean Mixed hay, Grain hay, Vetch hay, and Grain Mixed hay, as well as changes of the standards for other groups of hay that had already been promulgated. Standards included in this handbook practically complete the standards for all the major kinds of hay.

PRESS RELEASES:

OUTLOOK IS BRIGHTER FOR LARD than for Pork in Export Trade. Nov. 5.
COTTON EXPORTS WERE LARGER; Wheat Smaller in September. Nov. 9.
LARGE SUPPLIES AND WEAK DEMAND Cause Hog Price Decline. Nov. 12.
TURKEY GROWERS MISS IN MARKETING. Nov. 12.

REPORT:

FARM REAL ESTATE TAXES, 1913-1930, West South Central States and the State of Mississippi, a preliminary mimeographed report by Bushrod W. Allin and Donald Jackson, agricultural economists, and Miss Janet L. Weston, assistant agricultural economist, Division of Agricultural Finance. This report presents estimates of farm real estate taxes per acre for the States named. Corresponding estimates for the East North Central, West North Central, New England and Pacific States have recently been released, and those for other States will follow as they become available.

SUMMARIES:

MARKETING SUMMARIES issued recently by the Division of Fruits and Vegetables: Marketing Texas Vegetables - Carrots, Beets, Snap Beans, Cucumbers and Mixed Vegetables - Lower Rio Grande Valley of Texas, 1931-32 Season (Texas Department of Agriculture Cooperating), by W. D. Googe; Marketing Texas Citrus Lower Rio Grande Valley of Texas, 1931-32 Season (Texas Department of Agriculture Cooperating), by W. D. Googe.

IN THE LIBRARY:

Among the accessions to the Bureau Library for the week ending November 11 are:

Australia. Federal dairy investigation committee. The dairying industry of Australia. Report of Federal dairy investigation committee... v.1. Farm production. Canberra, H. J. Green, Government printer [1930] 281.344 Au72

Bartholomew, John. The graphic atlas of the world... Edinburgh, Pub. at the Geographical institute by Bartholomew & son, ltd., 1932. 128 p. 225 B282.

Chamber of commerce of the United States of America, Washington, D.C. Agricultural service. Agriculture in relation to business. Address and abstracts of remarks of discussion leaders at a round table on "Inter-relation of agriculture and other fields of enterprises," May 19, 1932. Washington, D.C., Agricultural service department, Chamber of commerce of the United States, 1932. 24 p. 281.12 C35 Mimeographed.

Fisher, Irving. Booms and depressions; some first principles... New York, Adelphi company [1932] 258 p. 280 F53B

Harriman, Henry I. The farm problem... [Washington, D.C., 1932?] 35p. Mimeographed. 281.12 H23

International labor office, Geneva. Unemployment and monetary fluctuations... Geneva, 1929. 40 p. 283 In8Um

Krueger, DeWitt W. Delinquent tax problem in New York state municipalities... Albany, N.Y., 1931. 68p. (New York state conference of mayors and other municipal officials, Bureau of training and research. Publication no. 13) 284.5 K95

League of nations. Review of world production, 1925-1931. Geneva, 1932. 163 p. (Series of League of nations Publications II. Economic and financial. 1932. II. A. 13) 280.9 L47P

Lomax, Alfred L. The facilities, commerce and resources of Oregon's coast ports... Eugene, the university [1932] 53 p. (Oregon. University. School of business administration. Bureau of business research. University of Oregon studies in business, no. 14) 280.9 Or32 no.14

Mussolini, Benito. L'agricoltura e i rurali. Discorsi e scritti di Benito Mussoloni, con introduzione di A. Serpieri. Rome, Libreria del Littorio [1931] 258 p. 281.176 M97

U.S. Congress. House. Committee on rules. Authorize payment of farm-loan mortgages with bonds issued by the mortgage banks. Hearings before the Committee on rules, House of representatives, Seventy-second Congress, first session, on H.R. 8167. June 15 and 16, 1932. Washington, U Govt. print. off., 1932. 11 p. 284.2 Un322A

HERE AND THERE.

W. A. Sherman, in charge of the Division of Fruits and Vegetables, will address the Wisconsin Cannery Association at Milwaukee, November 16, on "Informative Labeling." He will speak at the meeting of the Iowa State Horticultural Society, to be held as a part of the Mid-west Horticultural Exposition at Marshalltown, on "The Economic Situation in Horticulture" and "Changes in Market Methods for Horticultural and Honey Products," on November 17 and 18, respectively. Mr. Sherman will also speak at the meeting of the Tri-State Packers Association, Inc., at Baltimore, December 14, on "Showing Grades on Labels of Canned Foods and Advantages Resulting Therefrom."

A single recent request on the Division of Fruits and Vegetables for canned vegetable grading involved 128,000 cases (more than 100 carloads). The large cannery concerned is at Cheriton, Va., and Loyde Billman, of the canned fruit and vegetable grading project, was sent there to do this work.

L. H. Bean, Division of Statistical and Historical Research, has been invited to attend the annual Extension Conference of Massachusetts State College, to be held at Amherst, November 21 and 22. Mr. Bean is on the program on the 21st to discuss "The Present Business Situation and Price Trends as Related to Farm Income."

Oscar Steanson, Division of Farm Management and Costs, who has been conducting a farm organization study in sections of the Corn Belt and in the peanut areas of Alabama and Georgia at his headquarters at Tifton, Ga., came to Washington last week to assist with the completion for publication of manuscripts on the results of this study.

A. E. Mercker, secretary of the Interstate Early Potato Committee, and Gustave Burmeister, of the Division of Statistical and Historical Research, are attending and taking part in the following potato outlook meetings in the South:

With the Florida State marketing officials at Jacksonville, Fla., November 12;

With growers and shippers at LaCrosse, Fla., November 14 and at Hastings, Fla., November 15. both in cooperation with the Florida Extension Service;

With growers and shippers at Savannah, Ga., November 16; Beaufort, S. C., November 17, and Charleston, S. C., November 18;

With the North Carolina Director of Extension and his staff at Raleigh, November 19.

Wanted: A copy of Yearbook Separate No. 607 to fill a special request. Please check your file and see if you have a copy you can spare.

At the request of the National Livestock and Meat Board, W. C. Davis and A. T. Edinger, of the Washington office, and Don J. Slater, of the Chicago office, Division of Livestock, Meats, and Wool, are serving in various capacities at the American Royal Livestock Show, being held in Kansas City, November 12-19, inclusive. Mr. Davis has charge of the meat exhibits featuring standardization and quality in meats; Mr. Edinger is acting as superintendent of the student meat judging contests, and Mr. Slater is assisting with the preparation of meats for the contest and is acting as one of the judges.

John T. Wigington, Division of Cotton Marketing, is spending the week at Providence, R. I., supervising a spinning test on Sakel-Pima cotton grown under irrigation in Arizona.

C. J. Hansen, in charge of the San Francisco office of the Division of Fruits and Vegetables, reports that his office has received a request from the Buena Auto (Tourist) Camp at Palo Alto, Calif., to be placed on the mailing list to receive reports of truck arrivals and the San Francisco miscellaneous market report each day. Mr. Hansen adds: "They advise that many of their clients stop there, while trucking fruits and vegetables to San Francisco, and a number of them would be interested in seeing these reports en route to market."

Meade T. Foster, Division of Livestock, Meats, and Wool, will leave Washington November 20 for Chicago, where he will assist in selecting hogs, cattle, and sheep in connection with the quality in meat study in which this Bureau is cooperating with the Bureau of Animal Industry and various State Experiment Stations. Upon completion of that work Mr. Foster will assist in selecting material for meat exhibits and act as judge in the students meat judging contest at the International Livestock Show, which will be held in Chicago from November 26 to December 3.

A. L. Austin, of the National Stock Yards office of the Division of Livestock, Meats, and Wool, is substituting for E. C. Eckloff, in charge of the Cincinnati office of the division, who has to be relieved of his duties temporarily on account of ill health.

Chas. Sperle, Division of Crop and Livestock Estimates, is spending a couple days this week in the Norfolk, Virginia area, collecting truck and canning crop data. Beginning November 21 he will collect the same kind of information on a 10-day trip to Maryland, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware.

C. R. Finch, representing V. Cañada Blanch, London Fruit Exchange, Spitalfields Market, was in the Bureau last week with letters of introduction to L. A. Wheeler, of the Foreign Agricultural Service Division, and R. R. Pailthorp, of the Division of Fruits and Vegetables, from F. A. Motz, fruit specialist in London. Mr. Finch is in the United States for the purpose of studying the citrus industry with a view to establishing a business between shippers in this country and receivers in Europe.

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Thanksgiving Message
When thou hast thanked thy God for every
blessing sent,
What time will then remain for murmurs or
lament ?
Trench

RESPONSE TO COMMUNITY CHEST DRIVE EXPRESSING THANKSGIVING SPIRIT.

Those of us who are employed have an opportunity to express our thankfulness at this season by helping, through the Community Chest, others not so fortunate. This spirit is splendidly expressed by one stenographer in the Department who has pledged her entire Christmas savings of \$50 this year. That a fair number in the Bureau are also accepting this opportunity to help is evidenced by the report of collections up to and including Monday, November 21. At that time 19 out of 28 keymen had reported to Miss Mayme C. Parker, in charge of the campaign in the Bureau, a total of pledges amounting to \$2,988.59 by 305 employees. The keymen of the Cold Storage Section and the Stenographic Section obtained 100 per cent returns from their respective units.

This is a favorable beginning, but the Bureau has a long way to go to reach the quota of \$14,310 set for it this year. Last year, we exceeded our quota of \$12,000 by \$747.

Thos. E. Campbell, chairman of the Government unit for the Chest, in commenting on the reports of contributions up to November 18 from the Department, says:

"There are some fine reports * * *. But note that the average gift is \$9.26 per person, 2.53 cents a day, about one-third of a loaf

of bread to take the place of three meals. Pretty meagre food, with nothing left for rent, heat, clothing and health. How about adding some butter a bit of cheese, or a piece of meat to that bread? And something for the other family needs? Please remind your keymen again that a few cents a day, but not too few, and from everyone, is the only way we can win this fight against the pinched faces of hungry men and women and CHILDREN."

Dr. W. W. Stockberger, director of Personnel and Business Administration of the Department, has said that he hopes to see the name of everyone in the Department on the list of contributors to the Chest. If the contribution is only a cent a week, he has said, that would buy three quarts of milk for some child.

Tomorrow will be Thanksgiving. Don't you, too, want to express your thanks through the Chest?

"BACK-TO-LAND MOVEMENT" AN IMPORTANT SUBJECT
AT NATIONAL LAND USE COMMITTEES MEETING.

Action on the number of important problems affecting land utilization was taken by the two national land use Committees at their sessions in Washington on November 10-13. The National Land Use Planning Committee met on November 10 and 11, the National Advisory and Legislative Committee on Land Use met on November 12 and 13, and joint sessions of both Committees were also held on the 12th and 13th.

Considerable attention was given the "back-to-the-land movement." Endorsement of Senate Joint Resolution 169, providing for direction and guidance to the unemployed seeking to move to the country, was again made, and some modifications were recommended, including the recommendation that an appropriation of \$50,000 be made for carrying on the work called for by the resolution, which would be centered in the Department of Agriculture with the cooperation of other Federal and State agencies. A joint press release was issued calling attention to the various aspects of the entire problem, and the need for guidance and direction for the protection both of the unemployed going to the land and of the legitimate interests of the agricultural industry.

Approval was also given to the principles of the Colton Bill providing for the protection and better utilization of the grazing lands in the remaining public domain. The Committees emphasized that the important consideration at this time was to provide for the conservation of these valuable natural resources, the ultimate disposition of these lands being another problem on which action would be precluded or adversely affected by adopting the principles embodied in the bill.

Both Committees also approved a set of principles for State legislations on underground waters. The principles were recommendations arrived at after careful study of this important problem by the Planning Committee's Advisory Technical Committee on Drainage, Irrigation and Reclamation Policies. The Committees urged that the principles be incorporated in the legislation of the western States in so far as their respective situations permitted. The problem of refinancing of levee, drainage, and irrigation districts was also given much attention and a policy formulated which is believed to be preferable to those embodied in types of legislation that have been proposed.

Considerable headway was also made on other matters, study of which has not yet reached a point where definite recommendations can be made.

FARM INCOME REPORT TO BE
ISSUED EARLY IN THE YEAR.

The Bureau's report on estimated farmers' income, preliminary for 1932 and with details for 1931, 1930 and 1929, was released for publication Saturday, November 19. This is in accord with a new plan by which the Bureau will issue a preliminary estimate of the income of the year, late in the year, and then during the following February will issue a more detailed revised statement. The report is prepared by the committee on farm income, which is composed of representatives of several divisions, principally Crop and Livestock Estimates and Statistical and Historical Research. Heretofore the income report has not been issued for the previous year until after the middle of the year.

Estimates of gross farm income have been revised back to 1909 and are available in mimeographed form. The recent income report will appear in CROPS AND MARKETS for November.

The high point of the report is the fact that gross income for 1932 is estimated at \$5,240,000,000 compared with \$6,955,000,000 in 1931, and is less half the gross income in 1929.

KEEN INTEREST AT EDUCATIONAL MEETINGS IN
DISCUSSIONS OF PROBLEMS RELATING TO HAY.

Production, grading, and marketing problems relating to hay were the subjects of discussion at a series of 22 hay meetings with which E. O. Pollock, of the Division of Hay, Feed, and Seed, assisted the Indiana, Michigan and Ohio State Colleges during the period of October 25 to November 18. Mr. Pollock, who has just returned to Washington from the field, reports that with but few exceptions, these meetings were well attended by hay producers, shippers, college officials, and county agricultural agents. Much interest was displayed in the possibility of producing high-grade hay, especially alfalfa, and the best methods for marketing the surplus alfalfa that has resulted from an increase in the acreage of legumes in these States. A number of those at the meetings were particularly interested in the possibility of establishing shipping-point inspection in the important hay-producing sections as soon as the hay business returns to normal.

The outstanding feature of the program was a two-day school held at Napoleon, Ohio, on November 9 and 10. Thirty-two participated in this school, including representatives of the dairy, animal husbandry, agronomy, and farm management departments, the experiment station and the Extension Service of the Ohio State University, county agricultural agents from several counties in northwestern Ohio, and hay producers and shippers. During the school a short course was given in practical hay inspection, and the evenings were devoted to a discussion of hay production, feeding, and marketing problems.

Educational work of a similar character, Mr. Pollock reports, is being arranged at this time in several other States and the Bureau has been requested to furnish type samples of hay for this work.

MILK PRODUCTION ESTIMATE
COMPLETED BY COMMITTEE.

An estimate of the total milk production on farms in 1931 was released Tuesday, November 22, by the Bureau. It places the farm milk production at 101,815,000,000 pounds.

Milk production estimates have not been issued for several years by the Bureau pending completion of a study which was made to improve the basis for such estimates. This estimate, just released, starts a new series, which is expected to be continuous but is not to be compared with earlier estimates.

The report was prepared by a committee representing the interested divisions of Crop and Livestock Estimates, Dairy and Poultry Products, and Statistical and Historical Research.

AUTHORS TO FURNISH ABSTRACTS FROM GALLEY
PROOFS OF BULLETINS AND CIRCULARS.

Abstracts, in duplicate, from the galley proofs of practically all Technical Bulletins and of some of the Circulars will hereafter be requested of the authors when the galley proofs are being read. These abstracts are for use in the Experiment Station Record and in the journal entitled Biological Abstracts. The requests for abstracts will be made on blue sheets, sent with the galley, which will give directions as to the kind wanted. Authors should be sure that they draw up their summaries exactly as outlined in order that their publications have a satisfactory representation in the abstract journals. Space will be provided on these sheets for the typed abstracts, which are to be returned to the Division of Economic Information with the galley proof.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR OBTAINING
CHECKS AND DRAFTS.

A number of checks and drafts covering collections for the account of the United States, in which the payees are individuals, have been received in Washington with and without the addition of official titles.

The Business Manager calls attention to the fact that due to absences of the specified payees from their offices, this method of drawing remittances has resulted in complications and delays in obtaining indorsements, and also it is contrary to all instructions issued by this Bureau. Therefore, employees who collect funds for the account of the United States are reminded that remitters should be requested to make checks and drafts payable to the order of either "Disbursing Clerk, Department of Agriculture" or "Treasurer of the United States," whichever is the appropriate official, without any qualifying personal name.

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The fourteenth annual meeting of the National Association of State Marketing Officials will be held in Washington on December 13 and 14.

WEST VIRGINIA STUDENTS VISIT
F. & V. PITTSBURGH OFFICE.

Members of a class in marketing from the University of West Virginia had a profitable visit on November 14 in the Pittsburgh office of the Division of Fruits and Vegetables. The class was accompanied by A. J. Dadisman, head of the Department of Farm Economics of the University. F. S. Kinsey, of the New York Office, who has been acting in charge of the Pittsburgh inspection office in the absence of J. J. Gardner, makes the following report of the group's visit:

"Due to earliness of the hour, no inspections were on the hook, to which it would be appropriate to take the class, but we gave the boys what should have proven a profitable session, nevertheless. Mr. Balster (R. N., of the inspection force) and I had arranged an exhibit of inspection equipment, color-plate handbooks, plaster models, etc., which created considerable interest, and we explained the general process of inspection. Then we answered questions put by Mr. Dadisman for the benefit of the class regarding inspection practices, policies, and benefits. When Mr. Boyd (J. K., in charge of the market news service) arrived from the market, questions concerning the market-news work, and practically all phases of the marketing of fruits and vegetables in Pittsburgh and the rest of the United States as this office is able to observe them, were answered."

BUREAU NOCN-HOUR RADIO
BROADCASTING PROGRAM.

Because of the daily broadcast from the International Livestock Exposition at Chicago on the national radio program of the Department during the week of November 28, the Bureau will have no part in the program that week.

In the western radio program of the Department, which is broadcast daily, except Saturdays and Sundays, from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m., Pacific standard time, the following field members will participate:

November 28, 12:34 p.m., Frank L. Lyons, The Grain Market Situation

November 29, 12:34 p.m., Frank H. McCampbell, Recent Progress in Poultry Research (By Dr. M. A. Jull, B. A. I.)

November 30, 12:34 p.m., W. E. Schneider, November Livestock and Meat Situation

December 1, 12:36 p.m., Frank L. Lyons, November Alfalfa Markets

December 2, 12:33 p.m., Carl J. Hansen, On Fruit and Vegetable Markets.

INTER-COLLEGIATES, IN CONTEST, GRADE
CROPS ACCORDING TO BUREAU STANDARDS.

E. L. Morris and M. Schuler, of the Grain Division, and W. R. Crispin and S. A. McCracken, of the Division of Hay, Feed, and Seed, Kansas City offices, assisted with the fourth annual Inter-Collegiate Crops Contest (an annual event held in connection with the American Royal Livestock Show) in Kansas City, Mo., November 12. Messrs. Morris and Crispin acted as members of the committee in charge of the contest, as well as judges. Mr. Schuler also acted as a judge. Mr. McCracken served as one of a committee of two responsible for the equipment, supplies, location, etc.

Mr. Morris reports that the following institutions participated in the contest: Kansas State College; Iowa State College; the University of Nebraska; Oklahoma A. & M. College; and the University of Minnesota.

The Inter-Collegiate Crops Contest is financed by the Kansas City Chamber of Commerce and the Kansas City Board of Trade. It is arranged in three main divisions: (a) commercial grading; (b) seed judging; and (c) crop identification. The commercial grading consists of 15 samples, eight of which are grain, five hay, and two cotton. The grains judged this year were prepared by Federal Grain Supervision, and the hay and cotton samples by the Division of Hay, Feed, & Seed. Seeds, grasses, grains, plant diseases, and other materials were prepared by the various institutions taking part in the contest.

Iowa State College won this year, with Oklahoma A. & M. College, Minnesota, Nebraska and Kansas finishing in the order named. With a possible team score of 5400 points, the Iowa team marked a new high record for the contest, with a total of 5009 points. Oklahoma A. & M. College, second in the contest, scored 4939 points. The University of Minnesota celebrated its entrance into the contest in Kansas City this year with a score of 4935 points, winning over Nebraska and Kansas. The high man in the contest, Martin G. Weiss of Muscatine, Iowa, had a total of 1704 points out of the possible 1800. An illustration of the extensive preparation made for this contest is evidenced in a difference of only 123 points between the first and fifth teams.

On Friday prior to the contest, several of the teams visited the Office of Federal Grain Supervision and were provided with the facilities of the Bureau's laboratory and an extensive collection of carlot grain samples for grading purposes.

ANOTHER BOOK MISSING
FROM BUREAU LIBRARY.

The following book belonging to the library cannot be found. Will anyone having information in regard to it please report to the loan desk, A. E. Library?

Humphrey

Economic history of the United States. 1931.

IN THE LIBRARY:

Among the accessions to the Bureau Library for the week ending November 18 are:

Crabtree, John A. Trade barometers and forecasting services; a business man's point of view... [Walsall, Eng.] 1931. 35 p.

Evening republican, Mitchell, S. D. The voluntary domestic allotment plan to make tariffs effective on farm products and to stabilize prices by control of production. An editorial discussion from the Evening republican Mitchell, South Dakota. Mitchell, S. D. [1932] 23 p. 281.12 Ev2

Freightner, Harold C. Indiana county government. Indianapolis, Historical bureau of the Indiana library and historical department, 1932. p. 255-402. (Indiana history bulletin, v.9, no.6, Mar. 1932) 280.025 F32

Harriman, Henry Ingraham. Address of Henry I. Harriman before the round table on production control held at the University of New Hampshire, August 5, 1932, as revised on September 24, 1932. [n.p.] 1932. 20 p. 281.12 H23A Mimeographed.

Hoogh, Benjamin de. De economische beteekenis der ontginningen... Rotterdam, J. H. Donner, 1932. 2 pts. 281.172 H76
Proefschrift - Landbuwhoogeschool, Wageningen.

National conference on the relation of law and business. National conference on the relation of law and business, first session, with specific emphasis on the anti-trust laws. Director of conference, Alison Reppy... Under the auspices of the School of law, the School of commerce, accounts, and finance, New York university. [New York. New York university, 1931] 268 p. 280.9 N2122

Nelson, Peter. A history of agriculture in Illinois, with special reference to types of farming... Urbana, Ill., 1931. 20 p. 30.9 N33
Abstract of Thesis (Ph.D.) - University of Illinois, 1930.

Sporkenbach, Hans. Die englische nahrungsmittelenquete... Euskirchen. 1932. 75 p. 284.3 Sp6 Inaug.-diss. - Landwirtschaftl. hochschule, Boon-Poppelsdorf.

U. S. Congress. House. Committee on rules. Authorizing and directing the secretary of agriculture to request allocation of funds; also to establish a research laboratory for utilizing cotton, cotton hulls, seed linters, and waste farm products. Hearing Seventy-second Congress, first session, on H. J. Res. 352. June 6, 1932. Washington. Washington, U.S.Govt.print.off., 1932. 7 p. 284.2 Un322Au

U. S. Congress. House. Committee on rules. Hone loan bank bill. Hearings. Seventy-second Congress, first session, on H.R.12280. May 26 and June 7, 1932. Washington, U.S.Govt.print.off., 1932. 45 p. 284 Un342H

HERE AND THERE

Mr. Marquis and Carroll F. Duvall will assist with the Department exhibit at the International Livestock Exposition in Chicago, November 26-December 3. The Bureau's outlook charts will be a feature of this exhibit.

W. A. Sherman will attend sessions of the meeting of the National Association of Commissioners, Secretaries and Departments, on November 30, in Chicago, and give an address on "The Present Situation in the Standardization of Fruits and Vegetables." On December 8, Mr. Sherman will address a meeting of the New Hampshire Fruit and Vegetable Growers Society on the subject "Present Situation and Trends in Marketing."

Dr. L. C. Gray left Washington November 20 for Atlanta, Ga., for the purpose of conferring with the Regents of the University System of Georgia in regard to the land utilization study in Georgia in which the Division of Land Economics is cooperating.

R. C. Potts will leave Washington Thanksgiving night on a survey trip of the egg and poultry grading work carried on in cooperation with various agencies in Ohio, Indiana, Missouri and Kansas. He will stop at the Chicago office of the Division of Dairy and Poultry Products for one or two days.

H. J. Besley left Washington November 17 for Chicago, Milwaukee, Minneapolis and Omaha, to arrange personnel assignments in the Federal Grain Supervision field service and to confer with field officers concerning the administration of the Grain Standards Act as related to new problems. He will return in about two weeks.

Field statisticians who are coming to Washington for the December cotton report, which will be released at 11 a.m., December 8, are: C. H. Robinson, Texas; D. A. McCandliss, Mississippi; S. D. Marsh, Tennessee. These men will also assist with the final crop revisions for the year, the report on which will be released at 3 p.m., December 15. For the final wheat and rye report for the year, to be released at 3 p.m., December 20, P. H. Kirk, of Minnesota, and Henry M. Taylor, of Virginia, will come to Washington to assist the Crop Reporting Board.

Paul Mandeville, editor of the U. S. Egg and Poultry Magazine of the Institute of American Poultry Industries, called on members of the Division of Dairy and Poultry Products last week in reference to changes in the standards and grades for eggs.

J. G. Diamond, senior statistician for Montana, who has been on leave since early in October on account of an automobile accident, reported back for duty November 19. John A. Hicks, secretary of the Crop Reporting Board, another victim of an automobile accident, is recovering rapidly, and is expected to report for duty next Monday after an absence since the middle of October.

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TIME FOR CHEST DRIVE EXTENDED TO ALLOW ALL WORKERS CHANCE TO MAKE PLEDGE.

Officially the 1933 drive for the Community Chest closed Wednesday, November 23. By special arrangement with the authorities controlling the Governmental Unit, however, the books covering the Department of Agriculture employees will not be closed until each and every individual has been given an opportunity to make a pledge. This means that our keymen are to continue their efforts of solicitation and keep their accounts open to include employees absent on field trips or on temporary furlough.

Our quota of \$14,310 for this Bureau has not been reached. At the close of business on November 23, \$6,368.47 had been pledged by 664 employees: only 62.4 per cent of our personnel and 44.5 per cent of our quota. It is true that this year's pledges do not include amounts pledged to outside agencies--either to agencies not in the District of Columbia or to those not listed as members of the Community Chest,--and this explains in part the lower amount subscribed this year.

Because the needs of the District are so much greater this year than they were last, every cent that we can get is needed and every pledge that can be secured will be an encouragement, not only to those who worked in the campaign, but to the large number of employees who gave so generously in this campaign. There is no time limit. Additional pledges can be sent in as they are received.

Thomas E. Campbell, chairman of the Governmental Unit, says:

"The work of the Governmental Unit is not over until every chairman says 'I HAVE DONE ALL I CAN.'"

Four divisions or sections have reported contributions from 100 per cent of their personnel. They are the Division of Farm Population and Rural Life, the Cold Storage Section, the Bureau Library, and the Stenographic Section.

COMMITTEE ASKS BUREAU TO DO MORE RESEARCH WORK.

At the Southern Agricultural Outlook Conference in Atlanta, Ga., November 8-11, the States Truck Crop Committee passed the following resolution:

"Resolved that the Bureau of Agricultural Economics be requested to do more research work to determine the factors controlling prices, acreage and production of southern truck crops, Irish and sweet potatoes and watermelons. The monthly commercial prices of these commodities in the southern States are also desired."

Members of the Truck Crop Committee who attended the conference were: M. J. Voorhies, Louisiana, chairman, E. D. White, Arkansas; A. W. Jacob, Oklahoma; H. G. Clayton, Florida; C. G. Garner, Georgia; A. L.

Jerdan, Tennessee; H. N. Young, Virginia; W. M. Babin, Louisiana, and Julian Brown, Alabama.

TWENTY-EIGHT CARS OF GOVERNMENT GRADED
TURKEYS ON NEW YORK THANKSGIVING MARKET.

Thos. W. Heitz, Division of Dairy and Poultry Products, returned to Washington last week after conducting a series of six turkey grading schools in the West and checking in New York City shipments of turkeys from the West that had been graded by those receiving instructions at the schools. The schools were held at Great Falls, Mont.; Casper, Wyo.; Valley City, N. D.; Bellefourche, S. D.; Bridgeport, Nebr., and Mt. Vernon, O., in cooperation with the State Department of Agriculture or the poultry division of the State College of Agriculture in the respective States.

Mr. Heitz reports that the attendance was larger than it was at similar schools held during the three previous years. Approximately 200 men qualified to receive licenses, but only 47 were licensed to meet the immediate needs in the States. This year instruction was given in four States not included in former grading schools, namely, Ohio, Nebraska, North Dakota and South Dakota. Mr. Heitz emphasized this year the necessity for properly grading the live turkey to determine its fitness for market, and stressed the importance of producing smaller birds that mature more quickly rather than of continuing the tendency of commercial growers to produce larger birds for which there is less consumer demand.

At the close of the schools Mr. Heitz proceeded to New York City to check 28 cars of turkeys from the West that his recent pupils had graded. He reports that with few exceptions the turkeys measured strictly up to specifications and that the New York market commented very favorably on the quality of these birds.

FARMERS BARTER HONEY FOR
THE NECESSARIES OF LIFE.

Market reports on honey which the Fruit and Vegetable Division is receiving indicate that beekeepers are bartering their crop of honey this year for groceries, food, clothing, and services. The services received in this way include minor carpenter jobs and music lessons for the farm children. It is noticeable that bartering is practiced much more extensively at present than it has been at any time since the market news work for honey was established in 1917. In numerous sections where beekeepers have disposed of their honey and are supplied with provisions for months ahead, very little actual cash has changed hands.

The market reports also disclose that section comb honey is proving less and less popular. While some people like the wax in comb honey, the fact that by purchasing honey in the extracted form all one's money goes for honey, is apparently causing many former buyers of comb honey to change to the liquid form. In the South, bulk comb, that is, section honey surrounded by liquid honey in a jar or tin pail, is still popular, and beekeepers who have been able to develop a market for section comb honey attractively wrapped in cellophane still find this type profitable.

BUREAU NOON-HOUR RADIO
BROADCASTING PROGRAM.

The national radio program of the Department is broadcast daily, except Sundays, from 12:45 to 1:00 p.m., eastern standard time. The following members of the Bureau are on the program for the week beginning December 5:

December 5, 12:52 p.m., A. B. Genung, Comments on the Agricultural Situation

1:00 p.m., L. A. Wheeler, Farm News from Foreign Lands

The western radio program of the Department is broadcast daily, except Saturdays and Sundays, from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m., Pacific standard time. Field members of the Bureau are on the program for the week beginning December 5, as follows:

December 5, 12:34 p.m., Frank L. Lyons, The Grain Market Situation

December 6, 12:35 p.m., Frank H. McCampbell, The Dairy Market Situation

December 7, 12:36 p.m., W. E. Schneider, The Wool Market Situation

December 8, 12:33 p.m., Robert M. Gehl, Recent Developments in Rice Harvesting Methods in California

December 9, 12:34 p.m., Carl J. Hansen, On Fruit and Vegetable Markets

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
ANNOUNCES EXAMINATIONS.

Examinations recently announced by the Civil Service Commission include:

Statistician (Medical - Social Service), \$2,600 a year, less a furlough deduction of 8-1/3 per cent and retirement deduction of 3-1/2 per cent; age under 40; Veterans' Administration, Hines, Ill. For this position the Veterans' Administration desires a female eligible. Applicants will not be required to assemble for examination. Announcement 43. Application Forms 1, 12, and 13. Closing date December 13, 1932.

Senior Bricklayer, \$1,860 a year, Bricklayer, \$1,680 a year, Senior Stonemason, \$1,860 a year, Stonemason, \$1,680 a year, less a furlough deduction of 8-1/3 per cent and retirement deduction of 3-1/2 per cent; age under 48; Departmental Service, Washington, D. C. Applicants will not be required to assemble for examination. Announcement 42. Application Form 6. Closing date December 13, 1932.

CORRECTION.

The second sentence in the third paragraph of the item on page 2 of the B. A. E. News of November 23, entitled, "'Back-to-Land Movement' An Important Subject at National Land Use Committees Meeting," should have read as follows, the word "not" having been omitted from the original statement:

"The Committees emphasized that the important consideration at this time was to provide for the conservation of these valuable natural resources, the ultimate disposition of these lands being another problem on which action would not be precluded or adversely affected by adopting the principles embodied in the bill."

SHIPMENTS OF HUNDREDS OF BILLIONS
OF PEANUTS MADE LAST SEASON.

Low prices and increased sales efforts were effective in creating a wider distribution of peanuts during the season just closed than ever before. According to shipment reports received by the Fruit and Vegetable Division from transportation agents in producing areas, all records for shipments were broken, and never before has the lowly goober appeared in such volume in the form of salted peanuts, peanut butter, and peanut candy, H. J. Clay, of the division, reports. Translating the shipment figures into terms of individual peanuts it appears that fully 500,000,000,000 peanuts were shipped from the southern producing areas during the season just closed, in addition to hundreds of billions of peanuts used in the South for making peanut products and for local consumption.

HEARINGS UNDER P. A. C. ACT
TO BE HELD IN DECEMBER.

The following hearings under the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act will be held by Judge Dillman, of the Solicitor's office, during December:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Place</u>	
Dec. 12	Pittsburgh, Pa.	Michael-Swanson-Brady Produce Co., Kansas City, Mo., vs. Gerber & Caplan, Pittsburgh
Dec. 13	Pittsburgh, Pa.	Michael-Swanson-Brady Produce Co., Kansas City, Mo. vs. Perlman & Marcus, Pittsburgh
Dec. 14	Altoona, Pa.	L. J. Baughman, Blackville, S. C. vs. J. E. Nelson, Altoona
Dec. 15	Pittsburgh, Pa.	Florida East Coast Growers Association, Miami, Fla., vs. T. Mendelson Co., Pittsburgh
Dec. 16	Big Prairie, Ohio	Burkley Produce Co., Pittsburgh, Pa., vs. C. A. Basquin, Big Prairie
Dec. 17	Columbus, Ohio	Wm. Fean & Co., Inc., Columbus, Ohio, vs. Bloom, Rosenblum & Klein, Youngstown, Ohio
Dec. 19	Chicago, Ill.	Frank Marshke, Berrien Springs, Mich., vs. Wm. C. Kneibes, Chicago
Dec. 20	Chicago, Ill.	Guadalupe Produce Co., Guadalupe, Calif., vs. Shapiro Bros. Distributing Co., Chicago
Dec. 21	Chicago, Ill.	Frank Marshke, Berrien Springs, Mich., vs. M. Gugenheim & Co., Chicago
Dec. 22	Chicago, Ill.	Dingfelder & Balish, Corpus Christi, Tex., vs. M. Roth & Sons, Inc., Chicago
Dec. 22	Chicago, Ill.	Horowitz Fruit Co., Detroit, Mich., vs. Aaron Distributing Co., Inc., Chicago
Dec. 23	Peoria, Ill.	M. E. Girard, Lafayette, La., vs. Kroger Grocery & Baking Co., Peoria
Dec. 24	Quincy, Ill.	The Mahaffey Commission Co., Chicago, Ill., vs. George Jannsen Co., Quincy

Judge Dillman will hold hearings on some 30 other cases at points in Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Louisiana, Alabama and Florida, the dates and locations of which will be announced later.

IN THE LIBRARY:

Among the accessions to the Bureau Library for the week ending November 25 are:

Associated coffee industries of America. The retail market for coffee; a study based on the retail census of distribution (with additional interpretive material) [New York] Associated coffee industries of America, 1932. 22p. 280.32 As7

Association of land-grant colleges and universities. Special committee. Report on the agricultural situation by the Special committee of the Association of land-grant colleges and universities appointed by the Executive committee... Submitted by the Executive committee... at the 46th annual convention, Washington, D.C., November 14-16, 1932. [n.p.] 1932. 39 p. 281.12 As7

Canada. Honorary advisory council for scientific and industrial research. Report no. 25. The drying of wheat (second report) by E. Stansfield and W. H. Cook.... Ottawa, 1932. 104 p. 330.9 C16R

Clark, Colin. The national income, 1924-1931. London, Macmillan and co., limited, 1932. 167 p. 284 C552

Conference on economic policy for American agriculture. 2d. Chicago, 1932. Report of proceedings. [pt.1] Chicago, 1932. 152 p. Mimeographed. 281.9 C7602

Coni, Emilio A. El mercado ordenado del trigo argentino. Buenos Aires. "El Ateneo," 1932. 124 p. 280.359 C76

Gee, Wilson. The social economics of agriculture. New York, The Macmillan company, 1932. 696 p. map. 281.2 G27So

Imperial economic conference. Ottawa. 1932. Report of the conference. Ottawa, F. A. Acland, printer to the King's most excellent Majesty, 1932. 2 v. 280.9 Im72R

International study conference on the state and economic life. 1st. Milan, 1932. A record of a first International study conference on the state and economic life with special reference to international economic and political relations, held at Milan, on May 23-27, 1932, and organised by the International institute of intellectual co-operation in collaboration with the Italian national committee of intellectual co-operation. Published for the Conference of institution for the scientific study of international relations. Paris, International institute of intellectual co-operation, 1932. 184 p. 280.9 In89

Moulton, Harold Glenn, and Pasvolsky, Leo. War debts and world prosperity. Washington, D. C., The Brookings institution, 1932. 498 p. (The Institute of economics of the Brookings institution... Publication no. 46) 284 M86Wa

REPORTS AND OTHER RECENT RELEASES OF THE BUREAU.CIRCULAR:

AMERICAN FRUIT AND VEGETABLE AUCTIONS are described and analyzed in some detail in Circular 250, by J. W. Park. This circular supersedes Dept. Bul. 1362 which has not been available during the last year or two. Much new and significant material is to be found in this circular, for change and development have taken place in the auction business during the last decade.

DIRECTORY:

DIRECTORY OF TEACHERS Giving Courses in Rural Sociology and Rural Life, October 1, 1932, released by the Division of Farm Population and Rural Life.

PRESS RELEASES:

INCOME FROM FARM PRODUCTION FOR 1932, Preliminary Estimates for 1932 and Analysis of Changes from 1929 to 1931, inclusive. (Nov. 23).

MILK PRODUCTION INCREASED LAST YEAR. (Nov. 23).

WORLD COTTON CROP SMALLEST IN NINE YEARS. (Nov. 28).

REPORT:

MILK AND BUTTERFAT PRODUCTION AND UTILIZATION in the United States in 1929, 1930, and 1931, nine-pages, mimeographed, released by the Division of Crop and Livestock Estimates on November 21.

SUMMARIES:

MARKETING SUMMARIES released by the Fruit and Vegetable Division:

MARKETING SOUTH FLORIDA VEGETABLES (Snap Beans, Peppers, and Tomatoes), 1931-32 Season (Florida State Marketing Bureau Cooperating), by J. B. Owens.

MARKETING TEXAS BERMUDA ONIONS, 1932 Season (Texas Department of Agriculture, Markets Division, Cooperating), by A. M. McDowell.

SUPPLEMENT:

BRINGING UP TO DATE the list of Publications Relating to Farm Population and Rural Life, issued by the Division of Farm Population and Rural Life on October 1, 1932.

HERE AND THERE.

Dr. O. E. Baker, Division of Land Economics, has gone to the University of Minnesota, where on December 1 and 2 he will address the forestry group of the University and the Minnesota State Land Utilization Committee on "Outlook of Land Utilization: (1) Agricultural Land; (2) Forest Land."

Dr. Baker also will take Mr. Olsen's place on the program of the California Farmers and Fruit Growers Convention, in session December 7 and 8 at Ventura, Calif., where he will speak on "The Prospect for Consumption of Farm Products."

Chas. D. Jackson, Division of Agricultural Finance, left Washington Sunday for Albany, N.Y., Cambridge and Boston, Mass., and points in New Jersey. He will gather material for the farm tax index for New York at Albany; discuss the farm tax index and its problems with statisticians of Harvard University, at Cambridge, and with officials of the State Department of Taxation at Boston; and complete arrangements in New Jersey for obtaining corresponding material for that State.

M. R. Cooper and H. W. Hawthorne, Division of Farm Management and Costs, went to Winchester, Va., November 26, and conferred with representatives of the Agricultural Experiment Stations of Virginia, West Virginia, and Pennsylvania, regarding the analyses of data resulting from a three-year cooperative study of the place of the orchard in the organization of the farm, which has been conducted in the Cumberland-Shenandoah region.

Peter M. Strang, Division of Cotton Marketing, left Washington November 24 for Charlotte, N. C., Columbia, S. C., and Atlanta, Ga., to study cotton requirements and to lay the foundations for obtaining as many available data as are possible in pursuing the work under the project "Quality Requirements of Cotton for Particular Industries and Uses." He will return about December 5.

Request has been received from Joe Wedles, president of the Shade Tobacco Credit Company, of Quincy, Fla., that H. A. Kramer, marketing specialist of the Tobacco Section, be detailed there in December or the first of January to grade several thousand bales of the 1932 crop of shade tobacco.

E. C. Eckloff, in charge of the Cincinnati office of the Division of Livestock, Meats, and Wool, was operated upon at the Veterans Hospital in St. Paul on November 22. A. B. Smeby, in charge of the division's office at St. Paul, reports that Mr. Eckloff has been in a rather serious condition, but has rallied and is doing as well as can be expected at this time.

J. H. McLure, in charge of the Atlanta grade and staples estimates office of the Division of Cotton Marketing, is in Washington for a few days to discuss his problems with W. B. Lanham, in charge of the project, and other division officials.

E. E. Vial, Division of Statistical and Historical Research, will substitute for Mr. Olsen on the program of the Annual Meeting of the American Dairy Federation in Chicago, December 1. Mr. Vial's subject is "The Dairy Outlook."

W. P. Carroll, division supervisor of the Chicago district office, and M. J. Johnson, of the Minneapolis office, Grain Division, have recently returned to their stations from a series of educational meetings in South Dakota, at which they gave grain grading demonstrations under a co-operative arrangement with the agricultural department of the Milwaukee Railroad and the extension division of South Dakota State College of Agriculture. The meetings were held at Sisseton, Langford, Barnard, Warner, Ipswich, Groton, Bristol, Waubay and Garden City, and Messrs. Carroll and Johnson managed to get to most of them in spite of the fact that the worst blizzard that has visited this region at such an early season was raging. They report a gratifying record of attendance at most of the meetings, although the weather was so bad, and that considerable interest was shown in the grading demonstrations.

C. W. Crickman, Division of Farm Management and Costs, will go to St. Paul, Minn., December 2, to assist State agricultural workers in completing for publication a manuscript showing the results of cooperative studies in farm organization and management in Pine County, Minn.; also in planning and preparing manuscripts reporting the results of similar studies in Rock and Noble Counties and in the dairy section of southeastern Minnesota. He will return to Washington about January 15.

G. A. Scott, regional livestock statistician with headquarters at Sacramento, Calif., will discuss the subject, "Lamb Consumption on the West Coast," at the National Convention of Wool Growers, Portland, Oreg., in session December 8 and 9.

Thos. W. Heitz, Division of Dairy and Poultry Products, is in Waynesboro, Pa., today, gathering information on the handling of ducks by use of the quick freezing process.

Wm. G. Finn, Division of Statistical and Historical Research, discussed the outlook for tobacco yesterday, November 29, at the Annual Tobacco Outlook Meeting at Tifton, Ga. This is a meeting in which growers from all parts of Georgia take part.

Hugh W. Taylor, Tobacco Section, is leaving Washington today for Raleigh, to take over the tobacco market news office at that point. Geo. L. Pritchard, who has been assigned to Raleigh, will accompany Edward D. McDowell, supervisor of the tobacco grading work in the Clarksville and Springfield districts, to Kentucky, to open a market news office in the western district, probably Paducah.

Professor E. C. Johnson, of the University Farm, University of Minnesota, St. Paul, brought his class in Economics to the Bureau's Grain Supervision office in Minneapolis recently, to familiarize the students with the methods of marketing and grading grain.

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BUREAU MEN ON PROGRAM OF MARKETING OFFICIALS MEETING.

The fourteenth annual meeting of the National Association of Marketing Officials will be held in Washington, D. C., at Hotel Harrington, December 13 and 14.

Subjects which members of the Bureau will discuss or in which they will join in the discussion with others are:

9:00 a.m., December 13, "Standardization and Inspection," Mr. Kitchen.

"Federal-State Relationships and Policies in Administering Shipping Point Inspection - Attitude of Federal Authorities," R. C. Butner.

"Marketing Control through the P. A. C. Act," Wells A. Sherman.

1:15 p.m., " 14 "State Grades and State Identification of Agricultural Products - Their Disadvantages," R. R. Pailthorp.

"Future Policies of the National Association of Marketing Officials," Mr. Marquis.

WORK ON CENTURY OF PROGRESS FAIR MOVES FORWARD RAPIDLY.

Interest in the International Livestock Exposition was surprisingly keen, according to Mr. Marquis, who attended it and met with Department workers on the Century of Progress Fair in Chicago last week. This interest was evidenced by the large number of entries by farmers of well finished cattle, the large attendance of both farmer and city folk, and the large representation of 4-H Club boys and girls. While the number of agricultural meetings held in Chicago was considerably smaller than in the past, the attendance at the stock show seemed better than for several recent years.

The Department workers and members of the committee met with officials of the Century of Progress Fair to consider the Department's participation in a number of divisions of the exhibition. The plans for the Century of Progress Fair are going forward rapidly. Nearly all of the buildings are partially under construction; many of them are nearing completion, and there are many indications that this fair will be nearly completed when the opening date arrives next June. The Government building, in which the Department's exhibit will be housed along with the main exhibits of other departments, is among those buildings under construction. In addition to the display in the Government

building, many bureaus will contribute more or less extensively to other displays--some in the hall of science, others in the agricultural hall, dairy building, travel and transportation building, etc. The general layout and design for the Department exhibit were approved and the Department committee will proceed to work out details as rapidly as possible.

The Bureau's allotment of space in the Department exhibit is a section about 20 feet by 27 feet, in which it is proposed to show in the form of dioramas the major functions of the Bureau, i.e., fact gathering; market news and estimates; standardization and inspection; economic service, analyses, outlook, land use, and finance.

The Bureau will also probably contribute a section to the story of the magnitude of the dairy industry, to be shown in the dairy building, and some statistics on the livestock industry, to be utilized by the National Livestock and Meat Board display.

HAY GRADING SCHOOLS HELD FOR BENEFIT OF TEXANS.

C. M. Funk, supervising hay inspector at San Antonio, Texas, is holding a series of eleven hay schools in eastern Texas during the period of December 5 to 15 inclusive, in cooperation with the Extension Service of the Texas A. & M. College. The purpose of the meetings is to discuss with prairie hay producers and shippers hay production and marketing problems and to acquaint dairymen and other hay consumers who purchase their supplies of alfalfa from Arizona, New Mexico, Texas, and Oklahoma, with United States grade requirements for hay and how to purchase their supplies of alfalfa on that basis.

Following are the points at which the schools are being held: Houston; Danbury; Alvin; Beaumont; Lufkin; Jacksonville; Palestine; Marshall; Texarkana; Greenville; Austin.

ELMER C. ECKLOFF

Elmer C. Eckloff, in charge of the Cincinnati office of the Division of Livestock, Meats, and Wool, died on December 2, ten days after he was operated upon at the Veterans Hospital in St. Paul. Although Mr. Eckloff's condition following the operation was very serious, it was believed that he had a chance for recovery. Only a day before his death the doctors still held out hope.

Mr. Eckloff was appointed as junior marketing specialist in the St. Paul office of the Division of Livestock, Meats, and Wool in January, 1926. In August, 1928, he was transferred to the office at the National Stock Yards, Illinois, as assistant marketing specialist (livestock market reporter) and assisted with the work there until he was sent to take charge of the Cincinnati office in June, 1930.

Mr. Eckloff held the Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Minnesota. He enlisted in the U. S. Army in June, 1918, being discharged in April, 1919. He is survived by his wife and a son and daughter.

LARGE NUMBERS SHOW SPECIAL INTEREST IN
MEAT EXHIBITS AT TWO LIVESTOCK SHOWS.

The exhibits featuring standardization and quality of meats, in which this Bureau cooperated with the National Livestock and Meat Board at the American Royal Livestock Show in Kansas City, November 12-19, and at the International Livestock Show in Chicago, November 26-December 3, attracted more attention than at any of the previous shows, W. C. Davis, of the Livestock, Meats, and Wool Division, believes. Mr. Davis had charge of the exhibits at both shows. With A. T. Edinger, of the division, he acted as one of the judges of the intercollegiate meat judging contest at both shows and at the International as one of the judges in the carcass beef judging contest. The Kansas State College of Agriculture team won the contest at the Royal and the Ohio State College of Agriculture team at the International Livestock Show. The latter team was composed of two boys and one girl, the only girl who participated in any team at the International.

An unofficial estimate of attendance at the International Livestock Show, but by one whom Mr. Davis thinks should know, placed it at approximately 500,000, and he believes that the attendance was almost as high at the American Royal Livestock Show.

In a check of beef grading at St. Louis and other cities, Mr. Davis found an increased interest on the part of all branches of the meat industry in this phase of the Bureau's work.

U. S. EXPORTS OF SOYBEANS
REACHES PEAK IN NOVEMBER.

November exports of soybeans from the United States were the largest of any month since the first shipments were made to Europe in November, 1931. During the month of October, 1932, 317,333 bushels were inspected for export and during November 1,503,024 bushels were similarly inspected. Germany, Holland, and England received most of the shipments.

J. E. Barr, of the Hay, Feed, and Seed Division, recently returned from Mobile, Ala., and New Orleans, La., where he reports that no difficulty is encountered in handling soybeans through terminal elevators to meet the export contract grade of United States No. 2. Federal soybean inspection certificates issued at port of shipment are accepted as final on export contracts, he says. European buyers are still well pleased with the quality of American soybeans and the outturn of products therefrom. The export demand has resulted in much more favorable prices to Midwest farmers for soybeans than for other grains.

BUREAU NOON-FOUR RADIO
BROADCASTING PROGRAM.

The national radio program of the Department is broadcast daily except Sundays, from 12:45 to 1:00 p.m., eastern standard time. The following members of the Bureau are on the program for the week beginning December 12:

December 14, 12:54 p.m., C. V. Whalin, December Cattle Markets
December 15, 12:52 p.m., A. G. Peterson, The Price Situation
December 16, 12:51 p.m., W. F. Callander, The Size of Crop Production in 1932
12:54 p.m., J. A. Becker, The Grain Crops of 1932
1:00 p.m., S. A. Jones, The Specialty Crops of 1932
1:05 p.m., P. L. Koenig, Fruit and Vegetable Crops of 1932

The western radio program of the Department is broadcast daily, except Saturdays and Sundays, from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m., Pacific standard time. Field members of the Bureau are on the program for the week beginning December 12, as follows:

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December 13, 12:34 p.m., Frank H. McCampbell, The Poultry and Egg Market Situation
December 14, 12:33 p.m., W. E. Schneider, Far Western Winter Cattle Supply
December 15, 12:45 p.m., Carl J. Hansen, Our Fruit and Vegetable Markets

SPECIAL TIMELY REPORTS ARE ISSUED
BY FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICE.

A summary of a statement on foreign government legislation affecting wheat appears in FOREIGN CROPS AND MARKETS for December 5. This statement, by Gordon P. Beals of the Foreign Agricultural Service Division, will be issued in more detail as a supplement to FOREIGN CROPS AND MARKETS.

Another timely report from a field officer of the division is one from J. B. Hutson, tobacco specialist in Europe, indicating a decline in European consumption of American tobacco. A summary of this report appears in FOREIGN CROPS AND MARKETS for December 5. The full report is designated FS/T-80, dated November 26, 1932.

The same publication carried in the issue dated November 28 a statement on the lard situation in Germany, prepared by Donald F. Christy, assistant agricultural commissioner in the Berlin office of the division. Mr. Christy points out that the demand in Germany for American lard probably will continue to improve in proportion to the decrease in German hog production which is now under way.

REPORTS AND OTHER RECENT RELEASES OF THE BUREAU.

PRESS RELEASES:

ECONOMISTS TO REPORT ON FARM OUTLOOK 1933. (Dec. 1).

FARM PRICE INDEX DOWN TWO POINTS IN MONTH. (Dec. 2).

COTTON MILLS MORE ACTIVE THAN YEAR AGO. (Dec. 5).

LOW PRICES AND POOR MARKETS DOMINATE FARM SITUATION. (Dec. 5).

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REPORT:

ICE CREAM PRODUCTION IN 1931, mimeographed report, dated December 1, by the Division of Dairy and Poultry Products.

SUMMARIES:

MARKETING SUMMARIES by the Fruit and Vegetable Division:

MARKETING ARIZONA LETTUCE, 1931 fall season, (Arizona Fruit and Vegetable Standardization cooperating), by A. E. Prugh;

MARKETING SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CAULIFLOWER, 1931-32 season, (California Department of Agriculture, Division of Markets, cooperating), by Walter Kingsbury and W. L. Jackson;

MARKETING TEXAS CABBAGE, 1931-32 season, (Texas Department of Agriculture, Markets Division, cooperating), by W. D. Googe.

MARKETING TEXAS SPINACH, 1931-32 season, (Texas Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Markets, and Chamber of Commerce, San Antonio, Texas, cooperating), by Marvin G. Longino.

MANUSCRIPTS SUBMITTED BY THE BUREAU DURING NOVEMBER.

The following manuscripts were submitted to the Division of Publications during November:

Collier, G. A.: Marketing Hay by Modern Methods. (Built on F. B. 1265)

McNair, A. D. and McKee, Roland: Use of Winter Legumes in the Southeastern States. For Tech. Bul.

Rules and regulations * * * governing the grading and certification of butter, cheese, eggs, dressed poultry, and dressed domestic rabbits for class, quality (grade), and condition. S.R.A. 137.

Stauber, B. R.: The Farm Real Estate Situation, 1931-32. For Circular.

The following articles have been approved for publication in the periodicals named:

Davis, L. M.: Some Present Dairy Marketing Trends. For Dairy Journals.

Edler, G. C.: Seed Verification Service Becoming Better Known. For Seed Trade Buyers' Guide.

Farr, Wanda K.: Cotton Fibers. (In Parts) For publication by the Boyce Thompson Institute.

Kingsbury, W.: Speaking of Utopias. For California Cultivator.

IN THE LIBRARY:

Among the accessions to the Bureau Library for the week ending Dec. 2 are:

Babson, Roger Ward. Washington and the depression, including the career of W. N. Doak. New York and London, Harper & Brothers publishers, 1932. 296p. 280.12 B11

Canada. Parliament. House of commons. Select standing committee on agriculture and colonization. Minutes of proceedings and evidence. Reference - beet sugar industry. Ottawa, F. A. Acland, printer to the King's most excellent Majesty, 1932. no. 1. 281.366 C16

Chamber of commerce of the United States of America, Washington, D. C. Committee on government competition. Government competition with private business. Report of the Committee on government competition. Washington, D. C. [1932] 40p.

Hazlitt, Henry, ed. A practical program for America. New York, Harcourt, Brace and company [1932] 133 p. 280.12 H33

International congress of refrigeration. 6th, Buenos Aires, 1932. Le industria del frio en la Republica Argentina. Buenos Aires [Talleres graficos "Gadola"] 1932. 280 p. 295.9 In8206In

Irish Free State. Tariff commission. Report on bacon, hams and other pig products. Dublin, Stationery off. [1932] 150 p. (Report no. 14) 285.9 Ir4 no.14

Russell, Sir Edward John. Man and the machine. London, Lindsey press, 1931 47 p. (Essex Hall lecture, 1931) 280 R912

Time, incorporated, publishers. Markets by incomes; a study of the relation of income to retail purchases in Appleton, Wisconsin. New York, 1932. 2 v. 280.32 T48

Wye, Kent. South-eastern agricultural college. Dept. of economics. Report no. 15. Investigation into farming costs of production and financial results. XIII. The cost of horse labour - 1926/27 to 1930/31. By James Wyllie. [Wye, Kent, 1932] 95 p. 280.9 W97 no.15

Waterman, Ivan Russell. Equalization of the burden of support for education. Berkeley, Calif., 1932. p. [285]-358 (University of California publications in education. v.6, no.5) 284.5 W31

Wright, Quincy, ed. Gold and monetary stabilization. Lectures on the Harris foundation 1932. Quincy Wright, editor. By Jacob Viner... Gottfried Haberler...H. Parker Willis...[and others] Chicago, University of Chicago press [1932] 173 p. 284 W93

HERE AND THERE.

Dr. C. L. Holmes, in charge of the Division of Farm Population and Rural Life, left Washington December 5 for two weeks' work in Mississippi. He will inspect the plantation organization project being conducted in the Delta region; confer with State agricultural workers with regard to a type-of-farming study in the State; and present agricultural outlook and readjustment material to groups of Smith-Hughes teachers for use in their work with farmers. The meetings of the Smith-Hughes teachers will be held at Starkville and three other places in the State from December 8-17.

W. A. Wheeler, G. C. Edler, and G. F. Bocker, of the Hay, Feed, and Seed Division, attended a hearing on Turkestan alfalfa on November 28, in the Administration Building of the Department. Dr. Wm. A. Taylor, chief of the Bureau of Plant Industry, who presided, explained that the purpose of the hearing was to consider the modification of the present staining regulations affecting alfalfa seed imported from Turkestan. He pointed out that at the hearing in 1926 this alfalfa was found to be generally unadaptable in the United States and that at the present time 10 per cent of all seed imported from Turkestan must be stained red to identify it. In the last few years Turkestan alfalfa has proved to be resistant to bacterial wilt in certain areas of the Mississippi and Missouri River valleys where other alfalfas were attacked severely. The value of this alfalfa in those valleys had led the Department to hold the hearing in order that it might decide whether to leave the present requirements unchanged or to distinguish Turkestan alfalfa from that of other origins.

At the request of Loyd V. Steere, agricultural attaché at Berlin, Germany, John L. Bennett, a recent graduate of the University of California, called on L. A. Wheeler, of the Foreign Agricultural Service Division, and Norman J. Wall, of the Division of Agricultural Finance, on November 30. Mr. Bennett had just returned from several months' visit in Europe, during the course of which he investigated agricultural finance questions preparatory to taking a position with a bank in San Francisco which is deeply interested in California agriculture. He picked up much information on questions of agricultural credit and finance in Europe of interest to the Bureau and which he discussed on his visit here.

Rob R. Slocum, Division of Dairy and Poultry Products, will spend the period from December 8 to probably December 26 on a trip to Missouri. Mr. Slocum will train egg graders and complete arrangements and a program for a joint egg grading service at the plants of the Producers Produce Co. at Chillicothe and the Producers Cold Storage Co. at Shelbyna.

The Hay, Feed, and Seed Division assisted with three college students' judging contests during the month of November. D. D. Hill, assistant supervising inspector at Corvallis, Oregon, had charge of the hay work at the contest held at Portland. W. R. Crispin and S. A. McCracken, of the Kansas City office, assisted with the contest held at Kansas City in connection with the American Royal Livestock Show, and H. H. Whiteside, supervisor for the Chicago district, assisted with the contest held in connection with the International Livestock Show in Chicago.

A. E. Mercker is making three weeks' trip to various points in North Carolina and to Norfolk and the Eastern Shore of Virginia. He is participating in potato outlook meetings among growers of early potatoes, and conferring with State and county agricultural workers regarding prospects for the 1933 season. At Norfolk and Cape Charles, he will discuss with bankers, fertilizer manufacturers, and dealers the 1933 early-potato outlook. About 30 meetings will be held among growers on the Eastern Shore between December 5 and 17.

C. E. Eckles, Division of Dairy and Poultry Products, recently visited Michigan State College and the University of Wisconsin to assist the departments of dairy husbandry of these institutions in applying in their monthly butter grading improvement projects the "direct method" of grading butter, as proposed by Messrs. Potts and Eckles. The results of the findings of the two departments will be made the basis of a report of a special committee appointed by the American Dairy Science Association for the purpose of studying and reporting upon the "direct method," as compared with educational and commercial methods, at the next annual meeting of the Association at Champaign, Ill., in June, 1933. Mr. Eckles reports that the two departments of dairy husbandry seem very favorably impressed with the method proposed by Mr. Potts and himself.

Revised grades for the two styles of canned corn have been approved by the Secretary of Agriculture, and these are being printed and will be available for distribution in the near future.

W. R. Crispin, of the Kansas City office, Hay, Feed, and Seed Division, has been invited by the Iowa Veterinary Medical Association to discuss United States grades for hay and their relationship to the veterinary medical profession during the meetings of the Association, which will be held in Des Moines during the period of January 18-20.

Associates of Miss Anna P. Thomas, of the Foreign Agricultural Service Division, hope for her early recovery and return to office. Miss Thomas was operated upon at Emergency Hospital last week.

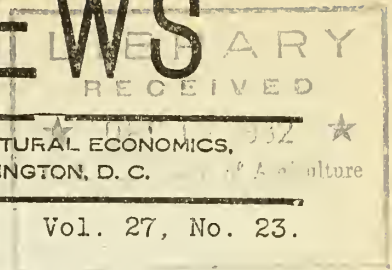
C. E. Eckles, Division of Dairy and Poultry Products, discussed "United States Egg Grading" before the quarterly conference of Dairy, Food, and Drug Officials, in Baltimore, December 6.

An assortment of candy, fruit cakes, and nuts are on sale at reduced prices, for the Christmas holiday season, by the Department Welfare Association. Orders should be placed through G. W. Morrison, Bureau representative of the Association, Room 2451 South Building. No orders for Christmas will be taken after December 15.

Exhibits representing recent research work of the Carnegie Institution of Washington and its departments will be open to the public in the administration building, Sixteenth and P Streets, N. W., on Saturday, Sunday and Monday, December 10, 11, and 12, 1932, from 2 p.m., to 5.30 p.m., and from 7.30 to 10.30 p.m.

Mr. Yohe's return to office last Wednesday, November 30, surprised and pleased his associates, who had expected him to be absent for a much longer period, in view of his recent serious injuries in an automobile accident.

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TWO NEW MEMBERS NAMED FOR 1933 ON BUREAU'S EFFICIENCY BOARD.

The Bureau Board of Review of Efficiency will include two new members in 1933, namely C. V. Whalin, in charge of the Division of Livestock, Meats, and Wool, and J. A. Becker, of the Division of Crop and Livestock Estimates. They succeed Dr. L. C. Gray, in charge of the Division of Land Economics, and G. W. Morrison, of the Grain Division, respectively, whose terms expire on December 31. With these changes, the Board will consist of the following members, whose terms will expire on December 31 of the year indicated after their names:

C. W. Kitchen (Chairman)

L. A. Wheeler, 1934

Miss Mary G. Lacy, 1933

J. A. Becker, 1935

H. S. Yohe, 1933

C. V. Whalin, 1935

Burt C. Boree, 1934

F. J. Hughes (non-voting)

BOSTON OFFICE SUPERVISES CHARITY SHIPMENT OF GRAIN TO LABRADOR.

M. B. Gleason, acting in charge of the Boston office of the Grain Division, supervised an unusual shipment of wheat made from that port on December 3. The International Grenfell Association had secured a contribution of \$1000.00 from a charitable organization to purchase wheat, the stipulation being made that the allotted amount was also to cover all handling charges. The E. R. Bacon Grain Company arranged with the Grain Stabilization Corporation to purchase 1660 bushels of their surplus #2 Hard Winter wheat in store at the Hoosac elevator, and they in turn delivered this amount to the Association. This transaction was without profit to the E. R. Bacon Grain Company.

The wheat was sacked and loaded into a car and switched to South Boston where it was loaded aboard the Newfoundland Canada Steamship Line steamer Kyvig for St. John, Newfoundland. At that point it was transhipped to St. Anthony, Northern Newfoundland, from where it will be taken aboard motor boats to Labrador.

Inhabitants of Labrador are subject to and suffer from the disease Beri Beri, due mostly to lack of vitamins, and the medical authorities connected with the Grenfell Association claim that feeding them with whole wheat bread and cereals will help to eliminate the disease. The wheat will be ground with 16 hand grinders similar to the small coffee grinder.

SAVING EFFECTED IN PUBLICATION DISTRIBUTION.

The Division of Statistical and Historical Research is effecting savings in the distribution of certain publications. When a cor-

respondent is interested in one or two tables in a statistical bulletin, rather than in the whole, such part or parts of the bulletin are detached and mailed to him instead of the entire publication. The remainder of the bulletin can then be used to meet other requests. Information from CROPS AND MARKETS is also furnished in this way.

Although dividing up a publication may sacrifice one section, inasmuch as one of the pages so separated may include part of another section, a very considerable saving is effected.

FEDERAL GRADES OF THREE DIVISIONS USED IN INTER-COLLEGIATE CROPS JUDGING CONTEST.

The ninth annual Intercollegiate Crops Contest was held on November 26, the opening day of the International Live Stock Exposition and Grain and Hay Show. Teams represented this year were from Oklahoma A. & M. College, North Carolina State College, University of Nebraska, Iowa State College, Kansas State College, University of Minnesota, Michigan State College and Pennsylvania State College. Oklahoma A. & M. College was judged the winner, with North Carolina State College in second place.

Market grading of wheat, corn, oats, rye, hay, and cotton makes up one-third of the contest. All this material is prepared in the Bureau. The grain samples are prepared in the laboratory of the Board of Review of the Grain Division. This part of the contest was conducted by H. P. English, of the Board, assisted by E. H. Floyd, of the Chicago district office. In all 20 samples of grain were included in the market grading phase of the contest. The accuracy of the boys in this work is remarkably high, being approximately 93 per cent.

A large number of samples of the various grades of grain are sent out each year by the Board and various field offices to agricultural colleges requesting them. These samples are used for regular classroom work and constitute the major part of the material used in preparation for the contest. Before the contest each year a number of the team coaches bring their contestants to the laboratories of the Grain Division and the Hay, Feed, and Seed Division for intensive training.

The hay samples for the Chicago contest were prepared in the Washington and Kansas City laboratories of the Hay, Feed, and Seed Division. H. H. Whiteside, in charge of the division's Chicago office, had charge of that part of the contest pertaining to hay. Before the contest that division furnishes each of the agricultural colleges which expect to enter a team, type samples of hay for use in teaching the commercial grading of hay and for training the contestants.

Prof. W. H. Darst, of North Carolina State College of Agriculture, had charge of that part of the contest relating to cotton, there being no representative of the Division of Cotton Marketing in Chicago. The standards laboratory of the division furnished six samples of cotton for grade and two for staple. With each sample for grade there was included a coupon indicating the grade, so that Professor Darst and his associates were able to make up a key and conduct the contest without specialized supervision by a member of the Division of Cotton Marketing.

The high scores made by the contestants in grading grain, hay, and cotton indicates that during recent years agricultural colleges have made marked progress in teaching the commercial grading of agricultural commodities.

DEPARTMENT'S PLEDGES TO COMMUNITYCHEST REACH ONLY HALF THE GOAL SET.

The Community Chest drive in the Department ended on December 10. In a memorandum dated December 5 to section chiefs and keymen, Dr. W. W. Stockberger, department chairman, said in part:

"Governor Campbell (chairman of the Government unit) points out that 'in most Government agencies the persons with higher salaries are contributing proportionately much less than the employees with low compensation.' Unfortunately this appears to be true in Agriculture also.

"A tabular statement is attached which reflects the contributions of the several bureaus and offices of the department up to and including November 30. This speaks for itself and it is hoped you may give it widespread publicity in your organization. * * *

"The department is not acting as a collection agency for the Chest, but rather is a receiving agency for those contributors who wish to transmit their payments through us. No solicitation for payments is to be made by you (keymen) and it is requested that you advise the employees of your section accordingly. The individual contributor must in all cases bring the payment to you, and you should issue a receipt for only the amount paid."

The tabular statement referred to by Dr. Stockberger follows:

Bureau	Quota	Amount Pledged	% of Quota	Employees in Bureau	No. of Pledges	% of Employees
Agricultural Economics	\$14,310	\$ 6,368.47	44.5	1,604	664	62.4
Agricultural Engineering	980	673.07	68.7	54	46	85.2
Animal Industry	5,180	2,496.48	48.2	365	214	58.6
Biological Survey	2,190	1,264.20	57.6	132	96	72.7
Chemistry and Soils	7,180	3,893.10	54.2	421	333	79.1
Crop Production Loan) and)	2,639	1,409.36	53.4	391	381	97.4
Farmers Seed Loan)						
Dairy Industry	2,320	1,770.99	76.4	125	125	100.0
Entomology	3,100	1,111.40	35.8	173	102	59.0
Experiment Stations	960	468.50	48.8	51	39	76.5
Extension Service	2,880	1,482.15	51.4	198	118	59.6
Food and Drug Admn.	3,460	1,618.70	46.7	215	158	73.5
Forest Service	4,060	2,577.80	62.7	236	176	74.6
Grain Futures Admn.	280	125.45	44.8	14	13	92.8
Home Economics	1,050	625.20	59.5	82	41	50.0
Information	2,070	998.35	48.2	184	124	67.3
Library	450	528.75	117.5	35	31	88.6
Plant Industry	10,040	4,716.75	46.6	675	404	59.9
Plant Quarantine	1,600	647.90	40.5	105	59	56.2
Public Roads	6,100	2,634.57	41.6	411	277	67.4
Secretary's Office	4,210	2,169.50	51.5	537	296	55.1
Solicitor's Office	1,600	360.50	22.5	57	34	59.6
Weather Bureau	2,870	1,770.91	61.7	235	211	89.8
	\$79,529	\$39,712.10	49.9	5,760	3,944	63.5

JAMES P. BROWN

It was with deep regret and with the sense of a distinct loss that the members of the Warehouse Division received word of the death on Monday morning, December 12, at Raleigh, N. C., of one of their most valuable and beloved associates, James P. Brown. Although it became known about a month ago that Mr. Brown had developed some heart trouble, his physicians had advised him that it was not serious. He had been attending to his duties up to November 28.

Mr. Brown became associated with the administration of the United States Warehouse Act on February 1, 1917, less than six months after the passage of this law. In point of service he was second oldest man in this work. He entered the service as an assistant in warehouse investigations. By virtue of his training and experience prior to coming to the Department, his close application to his work, his ability to make friends both within and without the Department and to reconcile conflicting interests, Mr. Brown rose rapidly in the service. Twelve years ago when various field offices were first opened in connection with the administration of the Warehouse Act, Mr. Brown was placed in charge of the field headquarters at Raleigh, N. C., to handle the work in Virginia and the Carolinas.

In the passing of Mr. Brown, the Department suffers the loss not only of a highly trained and highly conscientious worker, but it loses a man of deep human qualities. No supervisor of men could be more considerate of his associates than was Mr. Brown. When the men under his direction were in the field it was his invariable custom to keep in close contact with their families to see that all was well with them. As one of his associates remarked: "He was one of the finest characters and most lovable of men."

JOHN T. CALLAHAN

John T. Callahan, Jr., supervisor of grain inspection at Wichita, Kans., died on November 26.

In point of service Mr. Callahan was one of the oldest employees of the grain supervision service. He was appointed in the Wichita office in 1918 and served there continuously until his death.

For some time Mr. Callahan had been afflicted with pernicious anemia, but until a few weeks ago had been able to attend to his duties, in the discharge of which he was unwavering.

This worker was held in affection and esteem by his associates and his death means a real loss to the service.

ACTION NECESSARY ON ACCOUNT OF
CHANGE OF DISBURSING CLERKS.

On November 30, 1932, A. Zappone was retired from the position of Disbursing Clerk for this Department and W. R. Fuchs was appointed to succeed him effective December 1, 1932. The Business Manager calls attention to the fact that in view of Mr. Zappone's retirement, his accounts as Disbursing Clerk must be closed out as of November 30, 1932, and that on and after December 1, 1932, all classes of accounting transactions formerly handled by Mr. Zappone will be handled by Mr. Fuchs.

Included in the accounts to be closed are the advances of funds to employees for use in meeting traveling expenses. To take care of these advances, employees who hold funds advanced by Mr. Zappone should close out the advances promptly, either by submitting reimbursement vouchers to cover or by refunding unused balances on hand. In order, however, not to inconvenience employees who continue in a travel status under advances of funds, temporary arrangements were made to credit each reimbursement voucher, paid since November 30, 1932, to the advance previously made to the traveler by Mr. Zappone, and then have Mr. Fuchs draw his official check payable to the order of the traveler in the amount of the reimbursement voucher and charge the amount to the traveler in a new account as an advance of funds by Mr. Fuchs, provided the voucher was accompanied by a signed standard form 1039 showing continued need for the funds and by an application for an advance of funds on standard form 1038 or 1038 (a) approved by this Bureau. In order to take care of this situation permanently, an approved procedure is that where the security on which present funds were advanced is adequate to cover the additional advance, an employee who continues in a travel status should submit to Mr. Fuchs through this Bureau an application for an advance of funds on standard form 1038 or 1038 (a), whichever form is appropriate. The new application should be within the maximum amount previously authorized and should show only the total amount, as previous advances by Mr. Fuchs and the accounts in course of settlement will be taken into consideration when drawing check. If and when the check covering the new advance is received, the advance by Mr. Zappone must be closed out immediately. If the check is for the amount or less than the amount due Mr. Zappone it may be indorsed to the Treasurer of the United States and returned to Mr. Fuchs, but care should be taken to see that, if it is returned, the amount is not in excess of the amount due, as this would cause complications.

The change of disbursing clerk also necessitates changes on all accounting forms, including schedules, voucher forms and requests for advances of funds, printed with Mr. Zappone's name and symbol numbers. Wherever the name and symbol numbers appear on the forms they must be changed, the name from A. Zappone to W. R. Fuchs, the regular account symbol number from 70-001 to 70-005 and the special fund account symbol number from 79-751 to 79-764. Some old special account forms still carry symbol 70-003. This should be changed to 79-764.

VALUATIONS MUST BE SHOWN
ON EXPRESS SHIPMENTS.

The Director of Personnel and Business Administration in P. B. A. Circular No. 218, issued under date of November 30, 1932, calls attention to regulations already prescribed by the Chief Coordinator in Bulletin No. 107, Supplement No. 1, in regard to the placing of valuations on shipments by express. The regulations are as follows:

"a. Release value not exceeding \$50.00. When shipments via express are tendered at released value rates, the carrier's liability for loss or damage is limited to an amount not exceeding \$50.00, or not exceeding \$.50 per pound actual weight, as the case may be. Should the actual value exceed the released or limited valuations, loss, if any, falls upon the shipper.

b. Value in excess of \$50.00. When, in the judgment of a department or establishment making shipments, it would appear to be to the interests of the Government to place a higher valuation than that of the released valuation of \$50.00, or not exceeding \$.50 per pound actual weight, the value so stated must not exceed the actual, replacement, or recoverable (invoice) value.

c. The value of the shipments, whether released value not exceeding \$50.00 or in excess of \$50.00, must be inserted on the bill of lading and marked on the package or packages by the Government representative charged with making the shipment.

d. When a shipment consists of more than one package the value, released or declared, should be marked on each package as follows: 'Value, \$_____ on X', X representing the number of packages in the shipment."

It is stated that the Railway Express Agency issued instructions to its employees some time ago that they must require strictest compliance with the provision that the value of shipments be shown on both the package and the bill of lading. The Express Agency is complaining that the above provision is being continually disregarded by Government officers when making shipments, the circular states, and the express company now advises that the rule rejecting unvalued shipments will hereafter be strictly followed.

The Business Manager of the Bureau requests that all Bureau employees having occasion to make express shipments adhere strictly to the paragraphs above quoted as regards instructions to be followed in inserting valuations on the packages and bills of lading.

BUREAU NOON-HOUR RADIO
BROADCASTING PROGRAM.

The national radio program of the Department is broadcast daily, except Sundays, from 12:45 to 1:00 p.m., eastern standard time. The following members of the Bureau are on the program for the week beginning December 19:

December 22, 12:47 p.m., S. A. Jones, Trend of Poultry Production

December 23, 12:53 p.m., C. L. Harlan, How Many Hogs on Farms

The western radio program of the Department is broadcast daily, except Saturdays and on Sundays, from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m., Pacific standard time. Field members of the Bureau are on the program for the week beginning December 19, as follows:

December 19, 12:33 p.m., Frank L. Lyons, The Grain Market Situation

December 21, 12:35 p.m., W. E. Schneider, Far Western Winter Lamb Supplies

December 23, 12:33 p.m., Carl J. Hansen, On Fruit and Vegetable Markets.

REPORTS AND OTHER RECENT RELEASES OF THE BUREAU.

GRADES:

GRADES FOR CANNED GRAPEFRUIT, April 15, 1932, defined by the Fruit and Vegetable Division in a mimeographed release.

PRESS RELEASES:

NO MARKED DECREASE IN WORLD WOOL PRODUCTION. (Dec. 8).

AGRICULTURE UNDERGOING DRASTIC READJUSTMENT, SAYS ECONOMICS CHIEF. (Dec. 12).

VOLUME OF FARM EXPORTS INCREASED IN OCTOBER. (Dec. 13).

REPORTS:

FARM REAL ESTATE TAXES, 1913-1930, Delaware, Virginia, West Virginia, Florida, and Idaho, a preliminary, mimeographed report by Bushrod W. Allin and Donald Jackson, agricultural economists, and Miss Janet L. Weston, assistant agricultural economist, Division of Agricultural Finance. This report represents estimates of farm real estate taxes per acre for Delaware, Virginia, West Virginia, Florida, and Idaho yearly from 1913 to 1930. Corresponding reports have recently been made for 26 States, and those for other States will follow as they become available.

CAR-LOT SHIPMENTS OF FRUITS AND VEGETABLES by Commodities, States, and Months, calendar year 1931, a 46-page tabular statement, in mimeograph, issued by the Fruit and Vegetable Division, containing 46 pages of statistics.

ESTIMATED CONSUMPTION OF MILK AND CREAM in Cities and Villages, by Geographic Division, 1921, and 1923-1931, a mimeographed release of December 8, of the Division of Dairy and Poultry Products.

PER CAPITA, ANNUAL CONSUMPTION OF DAIRY PRODUCTS in the United States, a mimeographed release of December 9, of the Division of Dairy and Poultry Products.

IN THE LIBRARY:

Among the accessions to the Bureau Library for the week ending Dec. 9 are:

- Boston university. College of business administration. Bureau of business research. An analysis of retail trade and consumer buying habits in the Boston retail market, by Richard P. Doherty, assistant professor of economics, director of research, assisted by Stuart Cox. Boston, Bureau of business research [1931?] 35 p. Mimeographed. 280.32 B65
- Chamber of commerce of the United States of America, Washington, D. C. Dept. of manufacture. Company plans for unemployment reserves. Sept. 1932. Washington, D. C. [1932] 42 p. 284.6 C35
- Evans, Melvin. A study in the state government of Louisiana, with special reference to the legislative, executive and administrative, and judiciary department and the taxation system. Baton Rouge, Louisiana state university press, 1931. 278 p. (Louisiana state university studies. no. 4) 280.033 Ev1
- Hatch, D. Spencer. Up from poverty in rural India. With a foreword by the H.E. the earl of Willingdon. Bombay, Madras [etc] Oxford university press, 1932. 208 p. 281.182 H28
- Henderson, Fred. The economic consequences of power production. London, G. Allen & Unwin ltd. [1932] 220 p. Second impression. 280 H382
- Institute of public affairs, University of Georgia. Proceedings. sixth annual session, Athens, Georgia, May 2-11, 1932. Volume I. [Athens, Ga., 1932] 196 p. (Georgia. University. Bulletin, v. 33, no. 3, Sept. 1932) 280.9 In76 6th
- Johnson, E.A.J. American economic thought in the seventeenth century. London, P. S. King & son, ltd., 1932. 292 p. 277.12 J62
- Lamor, Henry. Le problème national et international du blé. Paris, 1931. 159 p. 281.359 L19 Thèse - Univ. de Paris.
- Texas business planning conference. Proceedings of the first Texas business planning conference, Bureau of business research, The University of Texas. Austin, 1932. unpagd. Mimeographed. 280.9 T 313
- Trotman, S. R. & Trotman, E. R. Textile analysis. London, C. Griffin and company, limited, 1932. 301 p. 304 T75T
- Vakil, Chandulal Nagindas. Growth of trade and industry in modern India; an introductory survey, by C. N. Vakil... S. C. Bose... and P. V. Deolalkar... Calcutta, London, New York [etc] Longmans, Green and co. ltd., 1931. 398 p. (Studies in Indian economics [no.6] ed. by C. N. Vakil)

HERE AND THERE.

Mr. Marquis took the place of Assistant Secretary Dunlap on the program of the Lawrence County Agricultural Extension Conference at New Castle, Pa., December 9, giving an address on "The Agricultural Situation."

Wells A. Sherman and Paul M. Williams are attending the meeting of the Tri-State Packers Association, in Baltimore, today, December 14. Mr. Sherman will discuss the subject, "How Cannerymen May Use the Official Grades on Their Labels."

Dr. L. C. Gray is in Syracuse, N. Y., today, December 14, addressing the convocation of the student body of the school of Forestry of Syracuse University, on the subject, "A National Program of Land Utilization." He has also been authorized to attend the Land Use Conference of the New Jersey Experiment Station at New Brunswick, December 21, and deliver an address, entitled, "Some Phases of a State Program of Land Utilization."

Viscount Astor, Member of the House of Lords, called at the Bureau last week and interviewed Mr. Olsen, Mr. Englund, Dr. L. C. Dray, Dr. O. C. Stine, and M. R. Cooper of the Division of Farm Management and Costs. The distinguished visitor was very much interested in the work of the Bureau. He discussed agricultural problems in England and showed deep interest in the agricultural situation in this country and the various proposals in the field of agricultural policy.

On a recent field trip Mr. Besley met with a special committee appointed by the Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce to consider the grading of scab barley, and attended a similar meeting in Milwaukee of a special committee appointed by the Milwaukee Chamber of Commerce. In Chicago he met with another special committee appointed by the Chicago Board of Trade to consider the proposed establishment of standards for malting barley.

F. G. Robb, Division of Fruits and Vegetables, attended a conference of State officials in Elizabeth City, N. C., December 9, held for the purpose of discussing problems which have arisen because of the sale of potatoes in 100-pound sacks and by volume in the barrel.

Dr. O. E. Baker, Division of Land Economics, will attend the Annual Extension Conference at Stillwater, Okla., December 20-22, and discuss the following topic: "The Outlook for Land Utilization: (1) Production; (2) Consumption; (3) Agriculture and the National Welfare."

J. B. Hutson, tobacco specialist of the Foreign Agricultural Service, at Berlin, has been authorized to visit the Netherlands, Belgium, and the United Kingdom for the purpose of investigating the present and prospective demand situation for American tobacco in those countries during the current season.

E. C. Parker and E. G. Boerner were in Baltimore on December 9 and consulted with officials of Federal grain supervision and with licensed grain inspectors concerning grain standardization problems.

L. H. Bean, of the Division of Statistical and Historical Research, is spending the period from December 13 to 17, attending the Annual Extension Conferences at Kingston, R. I.; Burlington, Vt., and Durham, N. H. At each of these meetings he is discussing the agricultural outlook and business situation as it applies to conditions in the respective States.

Joseph H. Shollenberger, grain specialist, has been authorized to transfer his headquarters from the London office to the Berlin office of the Foreign Agricultural Service. In working from his new headquarters, Mr. Shollenberger will pay particular attention to the milling and baking practices and regulations of Continental European wheat importing countries. He will continue to follow and report upon the quality of domestic European and imported wheat. The exact time of Mr. Shollenberger's transfer has not been determined.

Thos W. Heitz, Division of Dairy and Poultry Products, who is in New York City this week primarily to examine the Government graded turkeys that are being shipped into the local market, is also observing some tests being made for the Long Island Duck Growers of the quick-freezing of ducks. The application of quick-freezing is a new development in the marketing of ducks. On December 2 Mr. Heitz made a trip to Waynesboro, Pa., to observe tests of the brine-spraying method of quick-freezing of these birds. In the latter tests it was found that three hours were required to freeze undrawn ducks solid, but that drawn ducks were frozen solid in only one hour. The ducks tested by both methods will be placed in cold storage and re-examined monthly. The Long Island Duck Growers are the largest producer of ducks in the country, their annual output being close to 20,000,000 pounds.

S. Garrett Swain, Jr., Warehouse Division, attended the meeting of the Pennsylvania Cannery Association at York, Pa., yesterday, December 13, and discussed informally with members of the Association, the warehousing of canned foods under the Warehouse Act for financing purposes.

L. B. Burk, Livestock, Meats and Wool Division, is in New York City this week, conferring with local representatives and members of the trade in connection with grade standards and proposed changes in terminology for sub-classes for lambs and hogs and their carcasses. He will also inspect and otherwise assist with the export shipment of purebred livestock to South America.

Lynn Austin, of the Cincinnati office of the Livestock, Meats and Wool Division, has been called to his home in Kansas on account of the serious illness of his father. Don J. Slater, of the Chicago, will substitute in Cincinnati during Mr. Austin's absence.

Paul H. Kirk, senior agricultural statistician for Minnesota, calls attention to his change of address from 309 Old Capitol to 531 State Office Building, St. Paul.

All butter, cheese, and eggs purchased by the Associated Charities at San Francisco are now being graded by the local office of the Division of Dairy and Poultry Products.

Contributions to the Welfare Association of the Department by members of this Bureau totaled \$269.20 this year, George W. Morrison, chairman of the Bureau committee, reports.

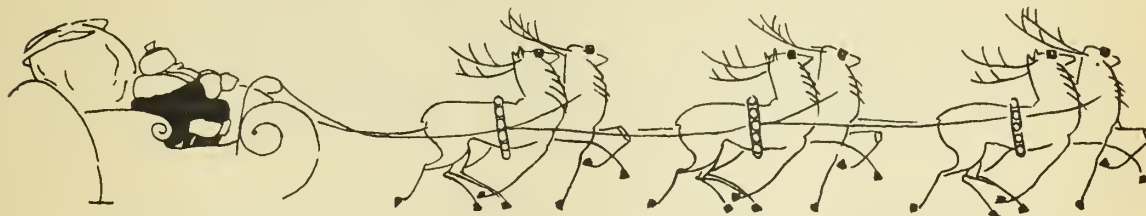
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Dear Friends:

You and I have labored together through another year of economic distress. There, no doubt, are many difficulties ahead, but this Nation will find practical and wise solutions for them too. You and I can and must assist in finding those solutions. It is our opportunity -- our duty. But these distressful times would have been wholly in vain if they did not also lead us to seek and find those values and joys in life which are not of the material but of the spiritual world. May we all in the year ahead experience the satisfactions of service well done and lives richly lived.

I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Sincerely,

Pier A. Olsen

SUMMARY OF DEPARTMENT EXPENDITURES.

In the report of the Secretary to the President for 1932 a summary of expenditures and work of the Department of Agriculture appears which should be read by all members of the staff. Since copies of this report may not be available to everyone, the salient points of the summary are presented herewith.

The expenditures and obligations of the Department for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1932, amounted to \$306,400,098. This is a vast sum of money. How was it spent? Was it all for agriculture? How much of it went for research, for law enforcement, for services of one kind or another? Why has this total mounted, during the fiscal years 1931 and 1932, to double the average of the preceding eight years? These are fair questions.

(1) Over four-fifths (81 per cent) of the 1932 expenditures of the Department of Agriculture went to the general public, rather than to agriculture.

(2) Of every dollar expended by the department, only 10 cents was spent or could be spent on the ordinary agricultural activities of the department.

(3) More than two-thirds (67 per cent) of the total was allocated to the States. The department served merely as the channel through which the money passed from Congress to the States, though it shared with the States the responsibility for supervising the expenditures.

It is also apparent that the size of the department's expenditures in 1932, as in 1931, is a direct reflection of the efforts of Congress and the administration to bolster employment in a period of extreme economic distress. Expenditures of \$300,000,000 a year are not normal for the Department of Agriculture. The normal total during 8 of the past 10 years has ranged between \$125,000,000 and \$180,000,000 including road funds.

Expenditures and Obligations During Fiscal Year 1932 Classified by Types of Activity

Type of Activity	General Activities		Payments to States (exclusive of Federal-aid road funds)	Road construction funds	Emergency relief funds	Total	
	Amount	Per Cent				Amount	Per Cent
Research	\$17,718,049	26.4	\$4,357,000	\$488,814	.....	\$22,563,863	7.4
Extension	2,540,118	3.8	8,662,466	.....	.....	11,202,584	3.6
Eradication or control of crop and animal pests	12,118,145	18.0	.....	.....	.....	12,118,145	4.0
Regulatory work	11,996,034	17.9	.....	.....	.....	11,996,034	3.9
Public-service activities	22,758,683	33.9	3,020,999	76,135	\$10,806,829	36,662,646	12.0
Road construction	.....	.....	.....	211,856,826	.....	211,856,826	69.1
Total	67,131,029	100.0	16,040,465	212,421,775	10,806,829	306,400,098	100.0
Percentages of grand Total	21.9	.....	5.2	69.3	3.6	100.0	.....

Expenditures and Obligations During Fiscal Year 1932 Classified by Organization Units.

Organization unit	General activi- ties	Total	Organization unit	General activi- ties	Total
Of. of the Secy.	\$1,227,044	\$1,227,044	Bur. of Entomology	\$2,484,676	\$2,484,676
Of. of Inf.	1,404,207	1,404,207	Bur. of Bio. Surv.	1,903,591	1,903,591
Library	110,116	110,116	Bur. of Pub. Rds.	209,225	196,441,619
Of. of Exp. Stations	370,283	4,727,283	Bur. of Agr. Eng.	613,990	613,990
Ext. Serv.	1,708,734	10,371,200	Bur. of Agr. Eco.	6,826,180	6,826,180
Weather Bur	4,140,941	4,140,941	Bur. of Home Eco.	236,452	236,452
Bur. of Ani. Ind.	15,272,021	15,272,021	Plant Quar. and		
Bur. of Dy. Ind.	743,189	743,189	Control Adm.	3,383,563	3,383,563
Bur. of Plant Ind.	5,573,323	5,573,323	Grain Futures Adm.	193,941	193,941
Forest Serv.	17,114,943	36,325,323	Food and Drug Adm.	1,704,861	1,704,861
Bur. of Chem. & Soils	1,909,749	1,909,749	Farmers' Seed Loan Office		10,806,829
			Total	67,131,029	306,400,098

Income from Department's Activities.

Incident to the Department's work during the fiscal year 1932, receipts totaling \$23,411,476 were paid into the Treasury, and fines were imposed and judgments recovered by the courts in connection with the enforcement of regulatory laws amounting to \$100,841.

Appropriations and Savings, 1933.

The 1932 savings in almost every case were continued over into 1933 in the form of reduced appropriations, and constituted about one-half of the \$10,000,000 reduction in the 1933 appropriations for the ordinary activities of the department. Under the economy act the amount which the department can spend for paper and for printing and binding has been reduced by approximately 40 per cent, or to \$340,000 less than in 1932. Because of the economy act and the reduced appropriations, the pay-roll expenditures of the department for 1933 will be reduced, it is estimated, by more than \$5,000,000. In addition, vacancies are being left unfilled wherever possible, and 166 superannuated employees were retired from the service in the first two months of the current fiscal year, making possible further savings of more than \$1,000,000. The money saved by the compulsory furlough and through vacancies left unfilled is impounded and returned to the Treasury.

The regular appropriation act for the fiscal year 1933, together with so-called permanent appropriations, made \$185,883,236 available for the work of this department for the year ending June 30, 1933. This is a decrease of 38.3 per cent below the appropriations charged to 1932. After the enactment of the regular agricultural appropriation bill, however, Congress passed the emergency relief and construction act, by which an additional \$132,000,000 was made available through the Department of Agriculture for road construction, including \$120,000,000 for advances to the States for this purpose. This money was provided for the relief of unemployment. Including these emergency funds, the total available for the fiscal year 1933 for the Department is \$317,883,236.

MARKETING OFFICIALS HOLD SUCCESSFUL MEETING.

The National Association of Marketing Officials held a successful meeting in Washington, December 13 and 14. Fourteen State departments of agriculture were represented. Representation was almost entirely from the eastern States, only one western State (North Dakota) having sent a delegate. This preponderance of eastern attendance was not unexpected, as most of the members of the Association are in the eastern States and the restrictions on travel prevent the western men from making long journeys.

Interest in the subjects of the program was very keen, and the men declared the detailed discussions to be of particular value. The full proceedings of the meeting are reported in the issue of MARKETING ACTIVITIES of December 14. The purpose of holding the meeting in Washington, namely, that a large number of Bureau members might participate, was accomplished. Following Mr. Olsen, who gave a short address at the opening session, Mr. Kitchen, Mr. Marquis, Mr. Sherman, Mr. Butner and Mr. Pailthorp took part in the program.

ATTRACTIVE NEW MEAT CUTS DEMONSTRATED IN WASHINGTON.

A series of meat merchandizing demonstrations, designed to acquaint retail meat dealers and eventually housewives with the latest styles in meat cuts, was made before the employees of several Washington stores during the period December 12-19, inclusive. The demonstrations were sponsored by the Bureau and were conducted by Paul A. Goeser, meat demonstration specialist, of the National Livestock and Meat Board. They were given at the District Grocery Stores; the American Stores; the Sanitary Grocery Co.; the Atlantic and Pacific Tea Co.; and the United Food Stores, Inc. W. C. Davis, of the Livestock, Meats, and Wool Division, who was in charge of the arrangements, estimates that about 1000 employees of these stores watched Mr. Goeser work. It is expected that as a result of the demonstrations housewives in Washington will have an opportunity to purchase such new cuts as butterfly pork chops, crown roast pork, and sirloin pork rolls; rolled shoulder of lamb, Saratoga lamb chops, and crown roast of lamb; top and bottom round steaks, flank steak fillers, and clear-cut pot roasts.

Interest in this work was high and requests have already been made for additional demonstrations early in the new year.

TOBACCO GRADING SERVICE BEGINS IN TENNESSEE AND KENTUCKY.

Tobacco grading service was inaugurated at Clarksville, Tenn., December 6, at Mayfield, Ky., December 12, at Paducah, Ky., December 13, and at Murray, Ky., December 14. At all of these markets except Paducah the entire market will be graded. At that point only Association tobacco will be graded.

Grading service will be furnished after January 1 at Springfield, Tenn., and Hopkinsville and Princeton, Ky., for the Eastern District Dark Fired Tobacco Growers Association. Service has also been provided at Madisonville and Henderson, Ky., for the Stemming District Association.

Tobacco market news offices have opened at Mayfield, Ky., and Clarksville, Tenn.

ESTIMATED THAT THOUSANDS SAW
DEPARTMENT BICENTENNIAL EXHIBIT.

As one of the Department agencies that cooperated in the George Washington Bicentennial exhibit, which has recently been concluded in the patio of the Administration Building, the following statement by Joseph W. Hiscox, chief of the Office of Exhibits, is of interest:

"No attempt was made to count the visitors who saw the exhibits, but we believe an estimate of 100 persons a day would be about right. The exhibits were on display about eight months or two hundred days including Sundays and holidays, which gives a total of about 20,000 visitors for the period."

RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS
IN BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES.

National Research Fellowships for 1933-34 in the Biological Sciences (Zoology, Botany, Anthropology and Psychology, Agriculture and Forestry) are offered by the National Research Council of Washington, D. C., and applications therefor will be received by the Fellowship Board of the Council not later than March 1, 1933. These fellowships are for study and research in America or abroad, and are open to citizens of both sexes of the United States and Canada who possess a Ph. D. degree or the equivalent. The present policy of the Board of Administration is to restrict appointment to those applicants in the early stages of a research career who have demonstrated a high order of ability and who give promise of developing individual judgments and viewpoints in investigative work.

The basic stipends awarded per annum are \$1,620 for unmarried Fellows and \$2,070 for married Fellows in America, or \$1,620 and \$2,160 respectively with additional travel allowance for Fellows appointed to study in Europe. Awards are made for one year, but fellowships may be renewed.

BUREAU NOON-HOUR RADIO
BROADCASTING PROGRAM.

The national radio program of the Department is broadcast daily, except Sundays, from 12:45 to 1:00 p.m., eastern standard time. The following members of the Bureau are on the program for the week beginning December 26:

December 27, 1:00 p.m., Roy C. Potts, December Poultry and Egg Markets
December 28, 12:54 p.m., L. M. Davis, December Dairy Markets
December 29, 1:00 p.m., G. A. Collier, December Grain Markets
December 30, 1:00 p.m., N. A. Olsen, Economic Services for Modern Farmers

The western radio program of the Department is broadcast daily, except Saturdays and Sundays, from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m., Pacific standard time. Field members of the Bureau are on the program for the week beginning December 26, as follows:

December 28, 12:36 p.m., W. E. Schneider, Features of the 1932 Livestock Situation
December 29, 12:33 p.m., Frank L. Lyons, December Alfalfa Markets
December 30, 12:34 p.m., Carl J. Hansen, On Fruit and Vegetable Markets

FEDERAL AND STATE TAXES
ON GASOLINE AND OIL.

In P. B. A. Circular 219, dated November 30, 1932, the Director of Personnel and Business Administration calls attention to a misunderstanding on the part of some field employees as to payments covering the Federal and State taxes on gasoline and oil. The United States does not pay State taxes of any kind, but the Revenue Act of 1932 does not exempt the departments from the payment of the Federal tax on gasoline and oil. Therefore contracts covering gasoline and oil must provide affirmatively that the State tax is not included in the price, but they may provide for the payment of the Federal tax. It should be understood, however, that when a bid is for a price without any qualification as to the Federal tax, the price fixed is the limit of the Government's obligation.

The Business Manager requests that employees be governed by the above in their purchases of gasoline and oil for official use.

CLAIMS AND ALLOWANCES COVERING MILEAGE
FOR USE OF PERSONALLY OWNED AUTOMOBILES.

In The B. A. E. News of November 9, 1932, attention was invited to a decision of the Comptroller General wherein he reversed former decisions relating to mileage for the use of personally owned automobiles on trips between the hour of 8. a.m. and 6 p.m. of the same day. The Business Manager now calls attention to a decision of November 23, 1932, A-45611, wherein the Comptroller General removes prohibitions on the allowances of mileage incurred on official trips in the vicinity of official stations, and citing the former decision states:

"In view thereof, and of the provisions of par. 3 of the Standardized Government Travel Regulations, supra, mileage for the use of privately owned automobiles will not hereafter be allowed from the employee's residence, but only from the limits of his post of duty."

This necessitates an affirmative showing on mileage statements that the mileage is computed for only the actual number of miles traveled outside the limits of posts of duty. Future reimbursement vouchers should be prepared accordingly.

Under the circumstances, it now seems proper not only to reclaim the mileage deducted because of the former 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. ruling, as stated in The B. A. E. News item of November 9, but also the mileage deducted because it was incurred in the vicinity of the traveler's official station, and to submit claims for mileage heretofore withheld because of the former decisions. With the latter class of claims an explanation should be submitted showing the cause for the delay, and with both classes, if not determined in letters of authority, there must be a showing that transportation by common carrier would have been at least as much as the charge for mileage, or that common carriers were not available. Of course, all mileage must have been previously authorized, and the reclaim vouchers must be reduced to the mileage authorized by the decisions.

IMPROPER USE OF MAIL SACKS
CARRIES A PENALTY.

The Business Manager again calls attention to the fact that the use of mail sacks for storing or handling any records, waste paper, trash, or for any private purposes is a violation of the Postal Laws, and such violation carries a fine of not more than \$200 or imprisonment for not more than three years, or both. It is believed that this is fully understood by all Bureau representatives, but the matter is again brought to attention for the guidance of all offices that utilize mail sacks.

IN CONGRESS:

The Agricultural Appropriation Bill is under consideration in the appropriations committee of the House and it is expected that it will be reported out of committee early this week.

The Post Office-Treasury appropriation bill has passed the House. This bill continues many of the provisions of the Economy Act including the 8 1/3 per cent furlough plan which has been modified so as to exclude all employees receiving an aggregate compensation of less than \$83.33 per month.

Hearings are being held by the joint Congressional committee on proposed economies in Government operation.

The message of the President on reorganization and consolidation of executive functions was transmitted to Congress on December 9 and printed as House Doc. 493.

Hearings are being held by the committee on expenditures of the House on the consolidation of Government activities.

Hearings are being held by the agricultural committee of the House on the farm relief program.

H.R.13607, by Mr. Jones, to authorize the distribution of Government-owned cotton to the American Red Cross and other organizations for relief purposes, was referred to the House without amendment. A similar bill S.5199 by Senator Bingham, has been referred to the committee on agriculture and forestry of the Senate. Several other bills have been introduced in each House for the same general purpose.

New Bills:

H.R.13457, by Mr. Selvig, to stabilize the price of wheat in the United States.

H.R.13012, by Mr. Rankin, to regulate the value of money, to stabilize its purchasing power by the control of the expansion and contraction of the currency ***.

S.5170, by Senator Capper, to regulate the importation of milk and cream ***. A similar bill, H.R.13662, has been introduced by Mr. Davis of Tennessee.

H.R. 13712, by Mr. Carter, to provide that advances under the Reconstruction Finance Corporation Act may be made with lien on crops as adequate security.

S.J.Res.215, by Senator Bratten, to authorize crop production loans in 1933. A number of bills for similar purposes have been introduced in both Houses.

H.R.13660, by Mr. Collier, to prohibit the importation of articles from certain countries ***.

H.R.13602, by Mr. Bankhead, providing for the regulation of the transportation of cotton and wheat in interstate and foreign commerce ***.

IN THE LIBRARY.

Among the accessions to the Bureau Library for the week ending December 16 are:

American country life association. Student section. Handbook. New York city [1932] 281.29 Am33

Canada. Board of grain commissioners. Annual report...for the year 1931. Ottawa, F. A. Acland, printer to the King's most excellent Majesty, 1932. 91 p. 59.9 C163

Copland, Douglas Berry. Studies in economics and social science. Melbourne, Macmillan & co. ltd. in association with the Melbourne university press, 1927. 86 p. (Melbourne university press. Economic series no.2) 280 C792

Cornell university. College of agriculture. Dept. of agricultural economics and farm management. Some possibilities and limitations of intermediate credit in New York state, prepared by V.B. Hart and W. I. Myers. Ithaca, N. Y., 1932. 11 p. Mimeographed. 284.2 C813

Lee, Hoon Koo. Korean immigrants in Manchuria. Pyongyang, Korea, Union Christian college press [1932?] 264 p. Text in Japanese. J 280.184 L51

London, Bernard. Ending the depression through planned obsolescence, New York, [1932] 19 p. 280.12 L84

Michigan. State college of agriculture and applied science. Farm management dept. Cost of producing Michigan beans. Annual report. 3d. East Lansing, Mich., 1932. (M-53) Mimeographed. 281.391 M58

National fertilizer association. Proceedings of the eighth annual convention, held at White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., June 6, 7, and 8, 1932. [Washington, D. C.] 1932. 60 p. 57.9 N21P

Nebraska. University. College of business administration. Committee on business research. National bank failures in Nebraska. Lincoln, Nebr., 1931. 64 p. (Nebraska studies in business no. 29) 280.9 N.27 no.29 University of Nebraska Publication no.90, November 1931.

Snider, Joseph Lycns, ed. Business statistics: a book of cases and materials, 2d ed. New York and London, McGraw-Hill book company, inc., 1932. 498 p. 280.13 Sn3

U. S. Congress. Senate. Committee on appropriations. Distribution of government-owned wheat and cotton. Hearings, Seventy-second Congress, first session, on H.J.Res.461, making appropriations to enable the Federal farm board to distribute government-owned wheat and cotton to the American national Red Cross and other organizations for relief of distress. Washington, U.S.govt.print.off., 1932. 38 p. 281.12 Un34

REPORTS AND OTHER RECENT RELEASES OF THE BUREAU.BULLETIN:

STATISTICS RELATIVE TO THE DAIRY INDUSTRY in New York State, 1931-1932, Bulletin 267 of the Department of Agriculture and Markets of the State of New York, issued cooperatively between that Department and the Bureau of Agricultural Economics. This publication was prepared under the direction of R. L. Gillett, agricultural statistician for New York. Copies may be obtained from Mr. Gillett.

PRESS RELEASE:

RUSSIAN WHEAT CROP SHARPLY CURTAILED. (Dec. 20).

REPORT:

FOREIGN GOVERNMENT LESISLATION AFFECTING WHEAT, F. S.-58, by Gordon P. Boals, assistant agricultural economist of the Foreign Agricultural Service Division. This is a 54-page mimeographed publication.

HERE AND THERE.

H. A. Kramer, tobacco marketing specialist, is in the Miami Valley of Ohio, developing tentative standards grades for the three cigar filler types produced in that area.

G. Byron Fundis, Livestock, Meats, and Wool Division, is being transferred from the Des Moines office to Cincinnati, to fill the vacancy left through the recent death of C. E. Eckloff. Karl L. Urban, whose headquarters have been at Denver, is being transferred to Des Moines to succeed Mr. Fundis. Mr. Fundis and Mr. Urban will assume their new assignments early in the new year.

Dr. Carl M. Conrad, cotton technologist, will attend a meeting of The American Association for the Advancement of Science, to be held in Atlantic City, N. J., December 27-30.

R. R. Pailthorp, Fruit and Vegetable Division, was in Philadelphia Tuesday and conferred with the local grading committee of the National League of Commission Merchants regarding grades for various fruits and vegetables.

R. J. Cheatham, Division of Cotton Marketing, is expected to return on December 23 from a trip south. At Raleigh, N. C., he consulted with the division official in charge of the local office in regard to the work; at Birmingham, Ala., he supervised the packing of a shipment of a cotton exhibit loaned to the Birmingham Museum; and at Atlanta, Ga., and Greenville, S. C., he consulted with officials of cotton manufacturing associations and of mills in regard to the study which the Bureau is making of the grade and staple of domestic cotton consumption.

Miss Charlotte Moakler, statistical clerk of the Division of Crop and Livestock Estimates, has recently been retired on account of disability. Miss Moakler came to the old Bureau of Statistics in November, 1911, from the Government Printing Office. In the 21 years that she has been a member of the crop estimating staff, she has served loyally and well, and her many friends in the Bureau regret to lose the pleasant association with her in work.

Nedelcho S. Deleff, of the College of Agriculture, University of Sofia, Bulgaria, is spending some time with the Tobacco Section, studying American tobacco marketing methods and types. Mr. Deleff has a fellowship from the Rockefeller Foundation and last year obtained his Master's degree at Cornell University.

The Army grading class from Walter Reed Hospital, in company with Major A. C. Wight, visited Baltimore on December 6. The party was conducted through both the inspection and supervision laboratories of the local office of the Grain Division, the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad elevator, and the trading floor of the Baltimore Chamber of Commerce.

Frank R. McGowan, Livestock, Meats, and Wool Division, attended a meeting of the Textile Committee of the American Society for Testing Materials, in New York City, December 14, and presented data obtained by microscopic micrometer readings in connection with a study of wool grades based on diameter of fiber.

Miss Dorothy Nickerson, color technologist, will attend a meeting of the Inter-Society Color Council in New York City, December 28.

Through cooperative arrangements between the Hay, Feed, and Seed Division and the Grain Division, J. P. Stanfield, in charge of Federal Grain Supervision District, with headquarters at New Orleans, has supervised a comparatively large volume of soybeans which moved through New Orleans for export in recent months. In October 317,333 bushels were exported from that district, and in November 1,338,096 bushels.

Final crop reports for the year were released on December 15. Yesterday (December 20) the Crop Reporting Board issued reports as of December 1 on acreage and condition of fall-sown winter wheat and rye for harvest in 1933.

The report of the December, 1932, pig crop will be released at noon on December 23. This will cover the size of the 1932 fall pig crop and estimated number of sows to farrow in the spring of 1933.

Employees will be excused from work on the Saturday before Christmas and the Saturday before New Year, according to an executive order issued by President Hoover yesterday. The Monday after Christmas and the Monday after New Year day are legal holidays, and this will give employees three-day holidays over both week-ends.

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The New Year

Standing with folded wings of mystery,
The New Year waits to greet us -- you and me.
Her arms are full of gifts, her feet are shod
All fitly for rough roads or velvet sod;
Her eyes are steady with belief in God.
Her voice falls sweetly as a vesper bell
Where trust and hope all lesser notes dispel;
Scarce knowing why, we feel that all is well.
She smiles a little ere she turns away,
Breathing a promise for each coming day;
And we -- we pause a little while to pray.

--Author unknown.

BUREAU MEMBERS ATTEND ECONOMIC AND OTHER ASSOCIATION MEETINGS THIS WEEK.

The Bureau will be well represented at the joint meetings of the American Farm Economic Association, the American Economic Association, the American Sociological Society and the American Statistical Association, which are being held from Wednesday to Friday of this week, December 28-30, in Cincinnati, Ohio. To the Bureau representatives the discussions are so important that they are paying their own expenses in order to attend. The Department is granting the necessary official leave. Those representatives who are on the program will participate as follows:

December 28:

Joint meeting of the American Farm Economic Association and the American Economic Association: David L. Wickens, will act as discussion leader of the subject, "Mortgage Delinquent," a part of the general topic, "Farm Debt and Distressed Land Holding."

American Farm Economic Association meeting: A. W. Palmer, will present a paper, entitled "Instruction in Cotton Classing," as a part of the round table, "Marketing Extension."

December 29:

Joint meeting of the American Farm Economic Association and the American Statistical Association:

Dr. O. C. Stine, will act as discussion leader of the subject "Prices of Farm Products," a part of the general topic, "Evaluation of the Economic Position of Agriculture in the United States; by Regions and in General."

As a part of this same general topic, E. C. Wiecking will present a paper, entitled "Land Prices."

American Farm Economic Association meeting:

G. B. Thorne will discuss a paper, entitled "Analysis of Short-time Movement of Prices of Farm Products," presented by A. J. Weaver

of the Federal Farm Board as a part of the round table, "Marketing and Prices of Farm Products."

W. J. Roth will discuss a paper on "The Technique of Extension Use of Material from Farm Accounting Associations," presented by Robert R. Hudelson of the University of Illinois as a part of the round table, "Farm Management Extension."

B. W. Allin will deliver a paper, entitled "Research in Forest Taxation as It Affects Agriculture," as a part of the round table, "Taxation Research."

"December 30:

American Farm Economic Association:

Dr. O. C. Stine, will act as leader of the round table, "Supply and Price Relationships for Farm Products."

L. H. Bean will present a paper, entitled "The Effect on Prices of Farm Products of Changes in Their Supply" as a part of the foregoing round table.

Norman J. Wall will present a paper, entitled "Recent Developments with Respect to Short-term and Emergency Agricultural Credit," as a part of the round table, "The Short-term Agricultural Credit Situation."

Others who will attend these meetings are G. W. Collier, P. G. Minneman, D. Curtis Mumford, A. G. Peterson, and T. B. Manny.

OUTLOOK COMMITTEES FOR

1933 BEGIN TO MEET.

The Agricultural Outlook Committees for 1933 have been named by Mr. Englund, and the chairmen are already holding meetings. Following is the list of chairmen and secretaries of the 33 committees:

Domestic Demand: L. H. Bean, chairman; N. J. Wall, secretary.

Foreign Demand: L. A. Wheeler, chairman; N. J. Wall, secretary.

Credit: N. J. Wall, chairman; V. N. Valgren, secretary.

Farm Labor, Equipment, and Fertilizer: M. R. Cooper, chairman,
W. H. Youngman, secretary.

Rice: G. A. Collier, chairman; C. E. Campbell, secretary.

Cotton: A. W. Palmer, chairman; L. Myers, secretary.

Wheat: W. F. Callander, chairman; E. J. Working, secretary.

Flax: J. A. Becker, chairman; F. J. Hosking, secretary.

Tobacco: C. E. Gage, chairman; W. G. Finn, secretary.

Beef Cattle: C. V. Whalin, chairman; G. B. Thorne, secretary.

Hogs: C. A. Burmeister, chairman; G. B. Thorne, secretary.

Dairy Products: C. L. Holmes, chairman; L. M. Davis, secretary.

Sheep, Lambs, and Wool: C. V. Whalin, chairman; L. Myers, secretary.

Mohair: C. V. Whalin, chairman; C. L. Harlan, secretary.

Horses and Mules: C. L. Harlan, chairman; M. R. Cooper, secretary.

Broomcorn: C. G. Carpenter, chairman; R. S. Washburn, secretary.

Poultry and Eggs: R. C. Potts, chairman; S. A. Jones, secretary.

Turkeys: S. A. Jones, chairman; R. R. Slocum, secretary.

Feed Crops and Livestock: J. A. Becker, chairman; C. M. Purves, secretary.

Hay and Pasture: W. A. Wheeler, chairman; J. T. Pearson, secretary.

Potatoes: W. Calhoun, chairman; A. E. Mercker, secretary.

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Sweet Potatoes: J. B. Shepard, chairman; B. C. Boree, secretary.
 Vegetables: Paul Koenig, chairman; B. C. Boree, secretary.
 Citrus: J. W. Park, chairman; S. R. Newell, secretary.
 Apples: M. R. Cooper, chairman; J. W. Park, secretary.
 Peaches: J. W. Park, chairman; S. R. Newell, secretary.
 Grapes: W. Calhoun, chairman; W. H. Youngman, secretary.
 Cherries: S. R. Newell, chairman; W. E. Lewis, secretary.
 Strawberries: M. R. Cooper, chairman; R. Royston, secretary.
 Peanuts: R. R. Pailthorp, chairman; A. P. Brodell, secretary.
 Dry Beans: S. A. Jones, chairman; J. E. Barr, secretary.
 Clover and Alfalfa Seed: G. C. Edler, chairman; G. F. Bocker, secretary.
 General Summary and Long-Time Outlook: C. L. Holmes, chairman;
 A. B. Genung, secretary.

FINAL STATEMENT COVERING

BUREAU COMMUNITY CHEST PLEDGES.

Following is the final statement of pledges of Bureau employees to the Community Chest:

Division	Keyman	Number of Employees	Number of Contributors	Amount Pledged
Agricultural Finance	:Miss Laughlin:	27	22	\$292.85
Audits and Accounts	:Miss Alves :	17	13	167.97
Cold Storage Section	:Mrs. Wright :	7	7	85.25
Cotton Marketing	:Mrs. Carson :	130	82	760.25
Crop Estimates	:Mrs. Albaugh :	82	36	334.05
Dairy and Poultry Products	:Miss Bayliss :	30	15	240.80
Farm Management	:Miss Elder :	69	43	642.90
Farm Population and Rural Life	:Miss Niles :	8	8	106.60
Foreign Agricultural Service	:Mr. Rohrman :	36	26	277.80
Fruit and Vegetable	:Miss Watt :	134	98	736.33
Grain	:Miss Steiger :	37	32	269.80
Graphics Section	:Miss Fuller :	23	15	109.50
Hay, Feed, and Seed	:Miss Bell :	41	25	242.20
Information	:Miss Viehmann:	39	32	297.40
Land Economics	:Miss Bradshaw:	38	24	292.50
Library	:Miss Olcott :	22	22	269.30
Livestock, Meats, and Wool	:Miss Jordan :	33	27	182.20
Machine Tabulating	:Mrs. Clayton :	16	12	69.90
Machine Tabulating	:Mrs. Holmes :	22	18	126.00
Mails and Files	:Mrs. Allnutt :	35	15	128.40
Office of Chief	:Miss Joyce :	15	14	357.00
Personnel	:Mr. Hevener :	19	12	44.10
Property and Supplies	:Mrs. McQuinn :	15	9	77.95
Statistical & Historical Res.	:Miss Styles :	86	66	590.22
Stenographic Section	:Mr. Gernova :	15	15	109.00
Telegraph Section	:Mrs. Cochran :	13	11	31.00
Tobacco Section	:Mrs. Eicke :	13	12	110.25
Warehouse	:Miss Smith :	12	7	65.00
Total		1034	718	7016.52

BUREAU NOON-HOUR RADIO
BROADCASTING PROGRAM.

The national radio program of the Department is broadcast daily, except Sundays, from 12:45 to 1:00 p.m., eastern standard time. The following members of the Bureau are on the program for the week beginning January 2:

January 3, 1:04 p.m., A. B. Genung, The Agricultural Situation
January 4, 12:54 p.m., L. A. Wheeler, Farm News from Foreign Lands
1.05 p.m., W. A. Wheeler, The Hay Market Situation
January 6, 1:00 p.m., W. B. Lanham, The Quality of the 1932 Cotton Crop

The western radio program of the Department is broadcast daily, except Saturdays and Sundays, from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m., Pacific standard time. Field members of the Bureau are on the program for the week beginning January 2, as follows:

January 3, 12:45 p.m., Frank L. Lyons, Grain Markets of 1932
(Prepared by G. A. Collier)
January 4, 12:35 p.m., W. E. Schneider, Features of the 1932 Wool Market
January 6, 12:34 p.m., Carl J. Hansen, On Fruit and Vegetable Markets

REPORTS AND OTHER RECENT RELEASES OF THE BUREAU.

ADDRESS:

THE HOG SITUATION AND OUTLOOK, by C. A. Burmeister, Livestock, Meats, and Wool Division, at the Annual Convention of the Institute of American Meat Packers, Chicago, November 15.

BULLETIN:

FARMERS BULLETIN 1378, MARKETING EGGS, has been revised in harmony with the new Census figures and is now available in printed form, and carrying the same Farmers' Bulletin number. R. R. Slocum, the author, has made other revisions in the text as well.

PRESS RELEASE.

PRODUCE SHIPMENTS SMALLEST IN ELEVEN YEARS. (Dec. 28).

REGULATIONS:

REGULATIONS OF THE SECRETARY GOVERNING THE GRADING and certification of butter, cheese, eggs, dressed poultry, and dressed domestic rabbits for class, quality (grade), and condition, as signed on September 13 of this year, are now available in printed form as S. R. A. 137 of this Bureau. This publication also contains the instructions of the Chief of the Bureau in regard to this work.

SUMMARIES:

MARKETING FLORIDA STRAWBERRIES, Summary of 1932 Season, Florida State Marketing Bureau Cooperating, by R. Maynard Peterson.

MARKETING STRAWBERRIES from the Ozark Section of Missouri, Summary of 1932 Season, Missouri Department of Agriculture Cooperating, by R. G. Risser.

IN THE LIBRARY:

Among the accessions to the Bureau Library for the week ending Dec. 23 are:

Abu Steit, A. Hichmat. La politique cotonniere de l'Égypte. Paris, A. Pedone, 1932. 271 p. 281.372 Ab9

Bettters, Paul Vernon, ed. State centralization in North Carolina, by A. T. Allen, Paul V. Bettters, Charles M. Johnson, Fred W. Morrison, Charles Ross. Washington, The Brookings institution, 1932. 261 p. (Institute for government research. Studies in administration no. 26) 280.063 B46

Industrial Dallas, inc. The southwest market and Dallas at its geographic and economic center. Dallas, Industrial Dallas, inc. [1932?] 32 p. 280.32 In2

Jafri, S. Najmuddin A. The history and status of landlords and tenants in the United Provinces (India). With a foreword by Sir Ralph Oakden. Allahabad, Calcutta [etc.] The Pioneer press, 1931. 438 p. 282 J18

Meeker, James Edward. Short selling. New York and London, Harper & brothers publishers, 1932. 271 p. 284 M47

Mills, Frederick Cecil. Economic tendencies in the United States: aspects of pre-war and post-war changes. A publication on the National bureau of economic research, inc. in coöperation with the Committee on recent economic changes. [New York] 1932. 639 p. (Publications of the National bureau of economic research, inc. no. 21) 280.12 M62

Oxford. University. Agricultural economics research institute. An agricultural atlas of England and Wales, (second edition, revised) made on behalf of the Agricultural economics research institute, University of Oxford, by Malcolm Messer, M.A. Southampton [Eng.] Ordnance survey, 1932. 3 p. 1., 25 maps. 3 maps in pocket. folio 2. 278.171 Ox2 Ed. 2.

Peterson, Charles Walter. Memorandum re stablization of world commodity prices. [Calgary, Alberta, Farm and ranch review limited, 1932] 12 p. 281 P442

Robb, T. Bruce. Business research; its nature and objectives... Lincoln, Nebr. 1931. 34 p. (Nebraska. University. College of business administration. Committee on business research. Nebraska studies in business no. 28) University of Nebraska publication, no. 81, March, 1931.

Spangler, Frank L. Operation of debt and tax rate limits in the state of New York. Albany, J. B. Lyon, printers, 1932. 247 p. (New York (State) State tax commission. Special report no. 5) 284.5 N482

Yule, George Udny. An introduction to the theory of statistics. 10th ed. rev. London, C. Griffin & company, limited, 1932. 434 p. (Griffin's scientific text-books) 251 Y9 Ed. 10.

HERE AND THERE.

Roy C. Potts and Rob R. Slocum will represent the Bureau at the Annual Delaware State Poultry Show, to be held at Milford, Delaware. Mr. Potts will discuss the marketing of eggs in the retail channels of trade on the basis of the Federal Grades. Mr. Slocum will demonstrate the U. S. grades for eggs and poultry.

Dr. O. E. Baker, Division of Land Economics, will deliver the presidential address, entitled "Agricultural Migration and the National Welfare," at the meeting of the Association of American Geographers at the Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D. C., December 28-30. Dr. Baker has also been asked to attend the meeting of the 4-H Club leaders and other Extension workers, to be held in Baltimore, Md., January 3, and to deliver an address on the subject "Farming as a Life Work."

W. F. Callander will leave Washington January 1 on a trip of inspection of the field offices of the Division of Crop and Livestock Estimates in the following States, and to confer with cooperating State agencies in those States with which the Bureau has agreements for crop reporting work: West Virginia, Illinois, Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, Minnesota, North Dakota, Wisconsin and Michigan. In several of the States which he will visit new commissioners of agriculture will be in office. Mr. Callander expects to return in approximately three weeks.

Chas. E. Gage, in charge of the Tobacco Section, will spend the two weeks ending January 14 at Clarksville, Tenn., and Mayfield, Ky., inspecting the tobacco grading and market news services.

V. N. Valgren, Division of Agricultural Finance, will address the Sixty-Second Annual Kansas Agricultural Convention, which will be held in Topeka, Kansas, January 11-13, on "Government Aids in Reconstruction." His discussion will relate particularly to those aids extended to agriculture.

Dr. T. B. Manny, Division of Farm Population and Rural Life, is on the program of the Third Purnell Conference of Research Workers in Rural Sociology, which will meet in Cincinnati, O., December 27-29. As part of the general subject, "The Population Project," Dr. Manny will discuss "Adjusting Research in Farm Population to Present Conditions," on December 29.

Warner M. Buck, Livestock, Meats, and Wool Division, has just returned from a week's visit to one of the large wool manufacturing establishments in Passaic, N. J. He has been conducting research work, with a view to determining which of the methods used for preparing foreign fleeces for market could profitably be used in this country. Wool sorting tests were conducted and some valuable data pertaining to this subject were obtained. Conferences were held in which standardization of wool for staple lengths was discussed, as well as marketing.

Miss Ida M. Drake, of the Stenographic Pool, has recently been retired for disability. Miss Drake was in an automobile accident last summer which incapacitated her for further work. She was a member of the Stenographic Pool the entire length of her service in the Government, having been appointed there in January, 1918. "800" (b)









